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Posing for the Bethel Fire Department's 2003 "Beefcakes of the BFD" calendar are, (from left): Mike Bennett, Mark McPherson, Jim Bennett and Mike Jodrey. **Brenda Hart** took the photos for the calendar (and this photo). Design was provided by The Maine Press.



2003 calendar features Bethel's beefcake fire brigade

By ALISON ALOISIO

Last year, the Bethel Fire Department received a federal grant to establish a strength and flexibility training program.

This year, with the publication of a "Beefcakes of the BFD" calendar, we get to see our tax dollars flex their muscles.

The color calendar will feature 13 members of the department, ranging in age from 17 to 87. You'll have to buy the calendar to see who reveals what.

"It started as a joke last spring (when the firefighters were in the middle of their fitness training)," said Mike Jodrey, assistant fire to talk everyone else into it,

Bethel selectmen

The Bethel Board of Selectmen has tentatively approved an after-

the-fact building intrusion into a "resource protection" zone along

the Androscoggin River.
The main foundation of a house

recently built in the Taylor Woods

Subdivision intrudes 27 feet be-

yond the 250-foot resource protection boundary. A deck on the house

extends another 10 feet, and the

house's septic field is also in the

asked for after-

the-fact OK

By MICHAEL DANIELS

House built too close

to riverbank poses

precedent problem

The department's oldest and youngest members close out the year as Mr. Decembers

chief and model firefighter. "We said at the end of the year, we'll have to do a calendar. It was an ongoing joke all summer."

Then, this fall, the joke turned to scrious discussion. After the idea was informally floated in the com-

munity, it drew a positive response. "The last two or three months, four or five of us have been trying

The subdivision has been ap-

proved by the town Planning Board, and the previous Code En-

forcement Officer signed off on the building permit for the house (private residences are not reviewed by the Planning Board).

Tom Dubois of Maine Land Development Consultants

velopment Consultants - which is representing the house's owner,

Bob Martin - told the selectmen

last week the problem was that as the house was laid out, everyone

assumed it was in one of the other

three Shoreland Zoning areas, all of

Jodrey said.

He and the core group were successful in persuading half the 26 members to pose for pictures. Over the past week and a half, Brenda and/or equipment as backdrops. Hart, serving as volunteer photographer, took at least a half dozen Dresser, will appear in the same photos of each firefighter. Two month as the oldest firefighter, photos of each man were chosen Peanut Gallant. for the calendar.

Girls' basketball coach Aaron Bean finds himself in the same position field hockey coach Gail Wight did this fall — plenty of talent, not a lot of varsity experience.

Bean would be happy, though, if he could achieve similar results. After a slow start, Wight's squad made it all the way to the Eastern Class C

The basketball Rebels started slow in their season opener, losing to powerful Winthrop, 52-28. Bean

only took six girls to that game, as three were

The injured players included freshmen guards

Stambolis is out until January after having knee

Jillian Kimball and Kelsey Dole, who were expected to return for this week's game. Junior guard Ashley

Only two of Bean's players are returning varsity veterans — senior Lauren Hart, a forward, and junior

Rounding out the lineup are junior Santana Wilson

(guard); and freshmen Chea Davis (forward); Liz

part almost got cold feet "when the camera came out," said Jodrey, But they all went through with it.

The men appear with fire trucks The youngest member, Charles

The calendars were designed by Some who initially agreed to take Karen Harrington, and will sen at

Telstar hoops season underway

\$20 each. They will be made up as orders are placed, with two to four weeks for delivery. A batch of 100 is planned initially.

Proceeds will benefit the depart-

ment's special projects fund, which purchases such items as a thermal imaging camera.

Jodrey said the department's traditional birthday calendar will also be sold this year, as usual. But this time around, BFD supporters can opt instead for a birthday suit cal-

(The calendars may be ordered by sending a check to BFD Calendar Fund, PO Box 1660, Bethel 04217, or through a firefighter.)

Rosenberg (guard); and Lindsay Hart (forward). Lauren Hart is a complete package for the Rebels.

The freshmen players "are talented, and tough ball players mentally," he said. It's mainly a case of learning to adapt to the faster pace of play at the high

The young players are on a steep learning curve, with the toughest teams scheduled early in the

But Bean has higher hopes as the season progresses. "We'd like to get a spot to try to go to

Augusta (for the playoffs). But at the same time, we've got to be patient."

Over on the boys' side, coach Larry Durgin is also dealing with injuries and inexperience.

Returning center Gavin Palmer, a senior, is out until January with a knee injury. Senior guard and

"She's the leader, a scorer and a rebounder," said

Bean. And Gould, he said, "is really coming on."

school varsity level.

Huts trail hits hurdle at Bigelow

By REBECCA ZICARELLI

A turf war over the use and future boundaries of the Bigelow Preserve may stall a plan to build a recreation trail and hut system that stretches from Newry to Moosehead Lake.

For two years, Larry Warren, president of the nonprofit Western Mountains Foundation, has been trying to build support for a hut system, based on the Appalachian Mountain Club (AMC) huts in the White Mountains.

Unlike the AMC huts - which are only open in summer - the huts along the Maine Huts and Trails system would be open year round for use by hikers, bikers, snowshoers, and cross-country skiers. During the winter, the trail would be groomed. Each of the 12 huts - spaced a day's journey apart - would provide accommodations, including dinner and breakfast and offer educational opportunities, for up to 40 guests for about \$45 each a night.

The first phase of the system. from Carrabassett Valley to Flagstaff Lake, could begin construction by next summer.

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Some new wrinkles in Newry Comp plan

By ALISON ALOISIO

A draft of Newry's updated comprehensive plan, which will be voted on at the annual Town Meeting, includes a proposed land-use plan with a new look.

Newry's Comprehensive Plan Committee is nearing completion of a plan that revises the town's 1992 document. A public forum and hearing is expected to take place next month, with the vote in March.

John Maloney of AVCOG, who is assisting the committee with its work, presented an overview of the plan to selectmen Tuesday. The plan is still a work in progress, and will be discussed further at the

committee's Dec. 19 meeting. The 2002 version has several new elements, said Maloney, including

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captain Kinsey Durgin just returned from a knee See HOOPS, page 15

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The Bethel Rotary

Club has raised

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championship game.

sidelined with injuries.

Krystle Gould, also a forward.

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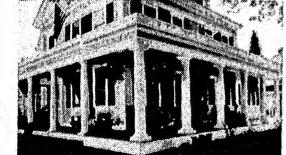
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Letters

AUTHORITY'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS

To the Editor: It occurred to me that your readers might benefit from another view of

the Bethel Airport Authority — the subject of so many column inches in the paper recently. The Authority grew out of the Airport Advisory Committee, which

struggled valiantly for many years to insure the survival of the airport originally started by local visionaries both to meet the needs of aviators and as a key piece of infrastructure for the town. This committee was replaced in the 1990s by the Airport Authority. The original Authority ordinance was written in part to relieve the Board of Selectmen of many of the time-consuming tasks involved in the revision of the Master Plan and the ongoing development of the airport into a safe and functioning entity. The Airport Authority ordinance was blended into an overall town ordinance recently, but the mission and responsibilities of the Authority remained the same.

The accomplishments of the Airport Authority since its creation are many and have been ignored in the recent articles and letters in The Citizen. The revision of the Airport Master Plan was a complicated multiyear project that laid the foundation for further improvements. The multimillion dollar airport expansion project that has just been completed was the result of years of work and a delicate balancing of the needs of the FAA, DEP, MDOT, local businesses, abutters and the town. Simpler projects such as the improvements to the pilots' lounge, the addition of a bathroom, and handicapped access were the result of a great deal of time and contributions by individual Authority members and others interested in the airport. The purchase of the Bluhm lot, the extension of the water line to the airport, the acquisition of a fuel system and the resolution of the access road impasse were spearheaded and completed by the Airport Authority. There are minutes of all meetings, clearly documenting the activities of the Authority. These are available to all at the Town Office and a reading of the record certainly would not indicate that the Authority is a liability and an embarrassment to our community, as Dr. Mason rather dramatically stated in his recent letter.

As with any public committee, there have been bumps in the road; the number and complexity of easements required for the runway project made for some difficult and often contentious sledding; the problems with the most recent Fixed Base Operator contract were particularly difficult for both the Authority and our staff and would have challenged any board; and, most recently, the disagreement within the Authority, and between the Authority and the Board of Selectmen, over the desirability of acquiring the ASC hangar was unfortunate. As with any public board or committee, personalities and process may clash, and in this case they did. However, all members have been and are devoted to the airport and to seeing it develop, and most of the time we have been able to build on individual strengths on the board and work together.

The Authority is moving ahead; at our Dec. 4 meeting, we revised the hangar lease agreement and expect to finish this on Dec. 18 for review by the selectmen in January; completed plans for the fuel system and engine heaters to be ready for use by Christmas vacation; discussed the issue of the runway lights to be continued at the next meeting when complete information is available; opted for additional staff support; reviewed our budget; discussed our plans for a Web site; and planned for the Celebration of the Runway in the spring.

Residents of Bethel who are asked to sign the petition to dissolve the Authority should keep in mind the huge accomplishments of this board. The Airport Authority is neither a liability nor an embarrassment; it is a group of volunteer citizens consisting of a balance of aviators and nonaviators who are devoted to maintaining and developing an important public facility.

Cathy Newell Airport Authority Member

WHAT MEETING?

To the Editor:

John Mason's Page 2 Letter to the Editor in your Dec. 5, 2002 edition makes a rather wild accusation. He states that four of us "met secretly and illegally" to discuss airport matters. This is untrue, a falsehood which we cannot let stand. There was no such meeting. It is unfortunate that Mason did not get his facts straight before lashing out at us again. He owes the readers of The Citizen, and the citizens of Bethel, an immequalified apology for having this falsehood published.

John B. Head, Eric Wight, Richard Theriault, Arlan Jodrey Members, Bethel Airport Authority

SHARING THE HEALING

To the Editor:

I was very pleased to read the article concerning the transformational work that Erin Collins has been involved with. Thank you to Erin for sharing such a personal process of her life. It's important that our community paper include personal sharings like this. Erin's story helps many of us know the possibility of healing and transformation through art and the value of working with someone, rather than feeling isolated with

It was a thoughtfully written article. Thank you.

Emily Ecker Bryant Pond

LIGHT UP THOSE VEHICLES

To the Editor:

Just a quick note to invite any and all who would like to participate in the annual lighted vehicle parade for New Year's Bethel that will kick off the 5th anniversary of this event on Dec. 31 to assemble at the Bethel Family Health Center parking lot on Railroad Street beginning at 5:30 p.m. The parade will begin at 6 p.m. and move up Main Street, around the town common, and back down Main Street to the point of origin. Doug Wilson has once again agreed to act as the coordinator. Those with questions or need for further information should give him a call at 824-3180.

Let's make this year's parade the best ever.

Stan Howe Executive Director, Bethel Historical Society

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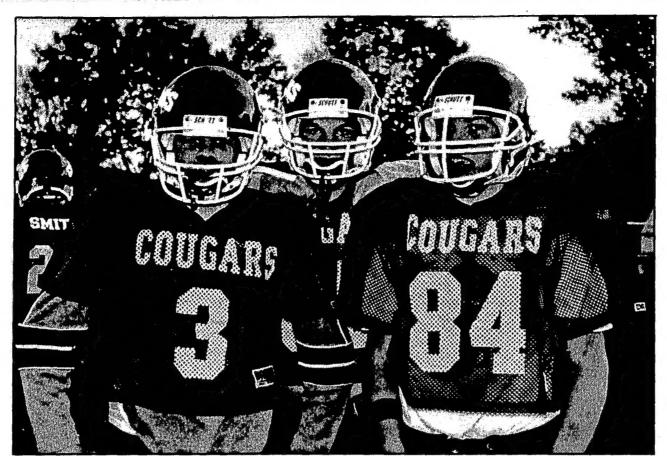
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LONG-HAUL COUGARS—(from left): Terry Gordon, Ben Rosenberg and Gavin Broomhall traveled 25 miles a day, four days a week in order to pursue their love of football. (Photo by Susan Gordon)

BRING BACK FOOTBALL

To the Editor:

Three local boys just finished off a great season of football — unfortunately not for Telstar. Terry Gordon; Ben Rosenberg and Gavin Broomhall traveled 25 miles a day, four days a week to be a part of the game eve-

For two years now Gavin and Ben have been playing area youth football in the Rumford-Mexico area, and this year all three boys became a part of a program started by Hart Daley of Dixfield. It was the first football played on Dixfield soil in 20 years, since they stopped their football program in the '80s. Recently, the town

and school voted to bring back football to Dirigo with a very large support system from the community, There is a community spirit as well as school spirit that no other team sport brings like football does. Wouldn't it be great if our community and school could work together to accomplish this for our kids, too?

Berta Broomhall Greenwood

MORE THAN MEETS THE EYE

To the Editor:

With all due respect to the police log, there is much more to it than meets the eye. In this particular case, the true perpetrator is made out to be the victim. But for those of us who knew better, rest comes peaceably at night. It is unfortunate and incredibly sad when people refuse to "live and let live." This precarious gift of life we take for granted is much too short for such trifling.

Kelly Churchill

REAL PERPETRATOR WILL BE BROUGHT TO LIGHT

To the Editor:

In response to the police log dated Dec. 2, 8:35 p.m., I can see why you'd pick that particular entry. After all, the word terrorizing is a real eye catcher, especially with all that's going on in the world today. It's too bad you don't follow up on the outcome of these cases you find so interesting. If a person is exonerated, you don't bother to print that. If the charges against someone are newsworthy, the results should be, too. Not very interesting to write, "So and so was found not guilty of the crime we wrote about last week," is it? Not really the dirty laundry you're looking for.

Also, if the truth be told, and it will be, the real terrorizing wasn't done by the one charged. When the verdict is in and the results become public information, the real perpetrator will be brought to light, and that one telephone call was nothing compared to what the real victims had to endure

Dennis Smith

THANK YOU TO SUNDAY RIVER

To the Editor:

On behalf of the Bethel Rotary Club, I would like to publicly extend a heartfelt thank you to the Sunday River Skiway Corporation. Through the efforts of Vice President of Operations Marvin Collins, as well as Mary McPheters of the marketing department, Sunday River has been very generous in supporting our most recent fundraising efforts. This past Sunday they donated all of the entry fees from their Skiing Santa promotion to the Bethel Rotary Club's Christmas for Children program. This program helps provide Christmas presents for children of families in need residing in the SAD44 area. They also recently made a significant purchase of poinsettias from the Rotary Club during our annual poinsettia sale fundraiser. This money is used to support many local and international projects. Lastly, I would like to thank them for their support of Rotary International's Eradication Program. Sunday River is sponsoring the Polio Plus Ski Day at Sunday River on

Thanks again to Sunday River Skiway Corporation for its continued support of the Bethel Rotary Club through which it helps support many programs here in the community and worldwide.

Dr. Michael J. Liberti

President

Consent decree Continued from page 1

According to MLDC, the encroachment problem was discovered by a realtor listing the house... Following the discovery, the house was temporarily taken off the market, which put a pending sale on

Dubois told the selectmen: "A lot of people just missed this and we just want to correct it as best we can."

To help resolve the situation, Town Manager Scott Cole de-scribed four possible alternatives:

"1) A Letter of No Action should only commit the town to nonenforcement of its ordinance for non-specific period of time, and that the town reserves the right to enforce at a later date. Furthermore, it should only be executed by the CEO or Town Manager, The primary purpose of a Letter of No Action is to quickly clear the way for financing, where the loan is to be secured by the property in ques-

"2) A Consent Decree is a permanent action that binds both parties to its terms. Upon execution, it is recorded and becomes part of the property's title history. Financial penalties and/or other actions may be imposed on the property owner in exchange for the town's consent to the ordinance violation.

"3) A Variance approved by the Board of Appeals would permanently remedy the situation. This is a long shot, given the criteria, which must be met for a variance.

"4) An Ordinance Amendment approved by the town vote would permanently remedy the situation."
Dubois told the selectmen that he

and Rich St. John, the town's current CEO, recommend the selectmen pursue the first alternative, a Letter of No Action, and, perhaps concurrently, a consent decree.

Dubois noted that the site in question is "non-sensitive" in the eyes of the state. A letter to the selectmen from MLDC describes the land as follows:

"The topography of the site is a high embankment to the Androscoggin River, which drops off steeply approximately 60 feet behind the house. Also there is no Floodplain Zone on this area because of the high elevation. It is a heavily forested and stable embankment that does not meet the sensitive environmental criteria, which is normally required for Re-

source Protection," The location, Dubois said, "really fits your limited residential description a whole lot better than it fits your resource protection."

St. John concurred, and suggested that the current resource protection designation had probably been done without an on-site inspection,

In the letter to the selectmen, MLDC argued: "Based on these existing conditions the State has suggested the owner seek a Shore-land Zone District change, which splits to Limited Residential for the upper bank and Resource Protection on the steep bank to the River. This is not an uncommon adjust-ment of the Shoreland Zoning District along rivers as Town's take a closer look at these initial 1990's blanket District designations. However, Mr. Martin's house issue beforc us is seeking after the fact teSympathetic, but ...

The selectmen acknowledged that oversights by town officials played a role in creating the current situation, but they had some reservations about issuing a consent decree.

Selectman Reggie Brown was concerned about, the board becoming involved in decisions normally left to the Planning Board and Board of Appeals.

"Are we circumventing the whole process?' he asked.

Their main concern, however, was that by approving a consent decree in this case they could be setting a troublesome precedent.

Chairman Dutch Dresser said he was worried about being called on in the future to "issue a consent degree for a case where someone simply didn't do what was supposed to be done,"

"I am most concerned about the effect of this decision in three weeks when it comes in again," he said.

"Are we going to discover this with other properties up there?" he asked.

"It could happen," Cole replied. Nonetheless there was clear consensus on the board that some action was required, and a motion by Reggie Brown to issue a consent decree was eventually approved in concept - but pending the selectmen's approval of language proposed by the town attorney before the board's meeting on Dec.

The legal fees involved are to be paid by the developer.

Back Pages

Compiled by JOHN BROWN
10 years ago: The SAD44 Board of Directors voted to explore the creation of a policy to make con-doms available to Telstar Middle/High School students through the school nurse.

Woodstock Elementary School presented its holiday concert to a standing-room-only audience.

Gould alpine ski coaches Lauren Head, Sue Gardner and Uel Gardner had attended the US Ski Coaches Association Elite Ski Coaches Clinic at the Killington Ski Area in Vermont.

Sandy's Kitchen moved from the West Bethel Store to the Ta-Ka-Radi building.

Christine and Alan Lowe assumed the operation of Bellmont 'Bunker' House's fresh fish truck.

Deaths: Florence A. Lovejoy, Roger C. Sabin, Evelyn B. Cockburn.

20 years ago: American Home Products announced the appointment of Duane E. Gilbert Jr. as plant manager of Ekco Housewares Co., Locke Mills.

Lorena W. Simmons was appointed postmaster at East Ando-

Temperatures of 20 below zero were reported from Magalloway. Birth: Nicholas Andrew Tifft.

Death: Margaret Barth Ellis. 30 years ago: Miss Alice Mundt, native of Bethel, librarian of the Worcester (Mass.) Art Museum since 1937, retired from that position on Dec. 1. She continued as curator of prints and drawings.

The Sherburne Corporation, owner and operator of Killington Ski Resort in central Vermont, acquired the controlling interest of the Sunday River Skiway Corporation. Birth: Emily Barker Keyes.

Deaths: Donald Norvin Humphrey, Warren A. (Fon) Thompson, J. Millard Fraser, Ethel P. Bisbee, Mary A. Abbott.

40 years ago: Completion of a highway project in Albany eliminated a dangerous intersection at Albany Town House. Roland Annis Jr. was supervisor of the project. An auto repair garage on Alpine

Street in Norway, operated by Ernie Luneau, was destroyed by fire with an estimated damage of \$30,000. The structure was owned by Rupert Aldrich and at one time was an airport hangar.

Herbert Whitman of Bryant Pond accepted a position in Farmington as an apprentice printer.

The Children's Dance Theater of Bethel presented "Babes In Toyland" at Odeon Hall directed by Susan Farrar.

Shaw's Market at the corner of Main and Church streets closed the last week in November, Correction: Jerry Smith suc-

ceeded Ken Lasseter as ski instructor at Mt. Abram Ski Slopes. (The item had been correctly reported.) Births: Rodney Bernard Harring-

ton 2nd, Gregory Edward Newell. 50 years ago: For the third time, Paul Thurston's Shaker Farm Diana was State Champion of Production, having made 14,631 pounds of milk and 801 pounds of butterfat in 305 days of production, three times milking as a six year old.
Gould Academy sports teams

chose captains for the 1953 season. Carroll Melville would be captain of the football team and Robert Lingham the cross-country squad.

Betty Berry, 17, of Dixfield won national 4-H honors and accepted a \$300 college scholarship in the National 4-H Clothing Contest.

60 years ago: The Frank Stevens farm house, South Bethel, was destroyed in an early morning fire. The family escaped with very little clothing. Nothing was saved from the home.

70 years ago: Five thousand trout from the Dry Mills fish hatchery were placed in Songo Pond. Four thousand were placed in Sunday River. 80 years ago: Prof. W.S. Wight's

concert was a great success. Bethel Grange Hall was packed with peo-90 years ago: YMCA was organ-

ized at Gould Academy with over 30 members. 100 years ago: J.D. Hutchinson leased Bennett's Tavern in Gilead

for a period of years. W.C. Bryant moved to his Summer Street house (now owned by Gould Academy, and Marvin and

Tineke Ouwinga reside there). James Blanchard was fined \$3 for intoxication. He could not pay the fine, so spent 30 days in jail. Marriage: Ada Lowe and Edward

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A Phone Call Away

Briefly

Board denies appeals

BETHEL—The Board of Appeals Tuesday denied two appeals. The first appeal was from Darlene Corriveau, regarding the Planning Board's denial of her Community Attributes for People Involved in Self Help (CAPIISH), located on Summer Street. The board upheld the planners' denial because several items, such as a lighting plan, were missing from the site plan application. The second appeal came from Randy and Mike Harrington, who objected to one of the board's conditions of approval regarding their proposed Hen House Storage on the Emery Road. The board had stipulated the road's entrance not be widened nor the location changed.

LURC slated to review gravel pit

ALBANY-Members of the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission were expected to consider an after-the-fact mineral extraction permit for Allen Hamilton and JMG Corp. at a meeting Wednesday in Augusta. Project analyst Michael Demarest said the LURC staff would recommend denial of the permit to extract gravel and sand from 11.6 acres of the applicants' 25-acre lot. The lot is located off Route 5 in Albany, between Mosquito and Kneeland ponds. JMG was also seeking a reduction of the 250-foot minimum setback requirement from the boundary lines of adjoining properties to 100 feet. But the LURC staff believed that would cause undue adverse impact to adjacent wetlands and one property owner's use of a camp. The issue arose about two years ago, when the previous owner of the JMG property extracted gravel and harvested timber without applying for a permit or asking permission of the abutting landowners. JMG then bought the land and unknowingly inherited the violations. If the permit was denied, the LURC staff was expected to work with the applicants to find ways to extract gravel outside of the setback requirement.

22-acre gravel pit proposed

GILEAD—An application for a 22-acre gravel pit, located near Taylor Flats along Route 2, will go to the Department of Environmental Protection for consideration. The property is currently owned by Roy Newton, but Pike Industries of Lewiston would become the new owner if the plan is approved by DEP.

C.B. Cummings to be auctioned

NORWAY-C.B. Cummings and Sons was scheduled to be auctioned off today (Thursday). The wood products plant, built in 1860, closed in late September. As recently as five years ago 200 people worked at the business. Up for auction are buildings and land at the manufacturing complex, as well as equipment.

Joint football team for Dirigo, Buckfield

DIXFIELD—Dirigo High School will merge its new football program with Buckfield, following a vote last week by SAD21 directors. The move will save Dirigo money in start-up costs for the program, because Buckfield has had a junior varsity program for several years, and will bring equipment to the joint venture. The cost to Dirigo is estimated at \$10,000, to be raised by a local boosters club. The team will practice in Canton and split home games between Dixfield and Buckfield,

Santa Sunday raises \$2,460

NEWRY—Sunday River's 60 open trails were full of holiday spirit this weekend in the third annual Santa Sunday, part of the Santa Weekend events at the resort. Nearly 250 participants donned St. . Nick's attire in order to receive a free day of skiing or riding, as well as two vouchers that can be used anytime before Dec. 20. Sunday River collected a minimum donation of \$10 from each Santa, in total, raising \$2,460 for the Bethel Rotary Club's annual Christmas drive for families

Telstar Winter Concert planned

BETHEL—The Telstar Music Department will hold its annual Winter Concert Tuesday, Dec. 17 at 7 p.m., in the Helen Berry Auditorium at Telstar. The Telstar Middle School Chorus and Band and the High School Chorus and Concert Band will be featured. Tom Coolidge will conduct the TMS musicians and Jennifer Bennett will conduct the THS musicians. Admission is free, but donations are greatly appreciated. There will be refreshments for all after the concert, sponsored by the Music Boosters Organization.

Living Nativity volunteers needed

BETHEL—Organizers of the Living Nativity, to take place Dec. 22 at on the Bethel Common, are seeking volunteers to take part in the event. A couple with a baby to play the Holy Family, shepherds, wise men, angels, choir members and farm animals are all needed. Anyone wishing to take part may come at 3:30 p.m., or may call in advance at 824-2289 (Bethel Alliance Church).

BOC offers X-C ski program

BETHEL -- Area youths in grades eight and under are invited to take part in an inexpensive cross-country ski program designed to teach the skills necessary to become fast, safe, and efficient on skis. The program is offered by the Bethel Outing Club in conjunction with the Bill Koch Youth Ski League. There will also be a separate "lollipop" group for the youngest skiers for playing on skis and learning basic skills.

Practice times will be Sunday afternoons from, I to 3 p.m. at local
Nordic ski centers, including the Bethel Inn, Carter's X-C, Gould
Academy, Telstar, and Sunday River Inn. The program will run
consecutive Sunday afternoons beginning Dec. 15, and conclude with the Bill Koch New England Festival, March 7-9. The program emphasizes skill-building and fun with options to participate in several local races and other fun events including a skiathlom (uphill/downhill course on x-c skis), dart gun biathlon, and Bethel's Flying Moose Classic. Additional opportunities will be available on some Saturdays or Friday evenings, such as moonlight skiing at local ski touring centers. The \$20 fee for the season per child includes: coaching, trail fees at Carter's X-C, Sunday River Inn, and the Bethel Inn, use of Bethel Outing Club equipment for interested youngsters who do not own equipment, and New England Bill Koch Youth Ski League membership benefits (details available at www.nensa.net). There is no charge for the lollipop program. Coaches include Brad Clarke (head coach), Kirk Siegel, Mike Cooper, and others. The first practice is Sunday, December 15 at 1 p.m. at the Gould Academy Fieldhouse, Conditions permitting, there will skiing that first day, so kids should bring their gear. Interested children or parents may contact Brad Clarke at 824-4692 for any questions regarding equipment, scheduling, and registration. To receive a registration form by available of for first bar. registration. To receive a registration form by email, or for further information on the club, send inquiries to kirks@megalink.net. The purpose of the Bethel Outing Club is to promote Nordic skiing and family-oriented outings with particular emphasis on youth ski

Bottle drive to benefit spring trip

BETHEL—A bottle drive is scheduled for Saturday at the SAD44 bus garage from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Proceeds will benefit the Telstar High School baseball team's trip to Florida this spring.

Friends of THS to meet

BETHEL—The Friends of Telstar High School will meet Dec. 16 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Telstar Library. The guest speakers will be principal Shawn Lambert and Telstar class officers. Holiday refreshments will be served. The organization is also seeking non-perishable food items for the organization's holiday food drive. Donations may be brought to the meeting,

From the Bethel Police Log:

Accidents, with some injuries

Friday, Dec. 6

At 11:50 p.m. police received a report of an accident with possible injuries on the Sunday River Road. When the officer arrived, there was no vehicle and a passerby reported the car had left.

At 2:25 p.m. police responded to a two-vehicle accident on Route 26. A southbound vehicle had crossed into the northbound lane, striking another vehicle head on. The four occupants of the two vehicles, two of them from Bethel, were taken to Stephens Memorial Hospital by Bethel Rescue, treated and released.

At 4:30 p.m. police responded to a report of a three-vehicle accident on Route 26. Two rear-end collisions resulted when a pickup truck stopped to pick up an item that had fallen from the truck. All occupants were checked by Bethel Rescue, but no one was transported.

Sunday, Dec. 8

At 3:46 p.m. police responded to a single vehicle rollover with injuries by the Baker Road on the Songo Pond Road. The car skidded in slippery conditions and rolled over into the ditch. One person was transported by Bethel Rescue to Stephens Memorial Hospital for head and back injuries. The other two occupants were not injured.

At 5 p.m. police assisted at the scene of a traffic accident on the Gore Road in Woodstock. A state trooper arrested a subject for OUI.

Thursday, Dec. 5

In response to a request, the police chief attended the morning story time at a daycare and read a book to the children about police cars.

This report highlights points of interest from the Bethel Police Department log. It lists all cases of adults being arrested or issued a criminal summon in the 10 days prior to the newspaper's publication,, but does not include all reports of other police activity.

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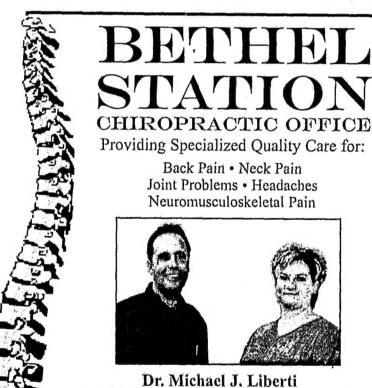
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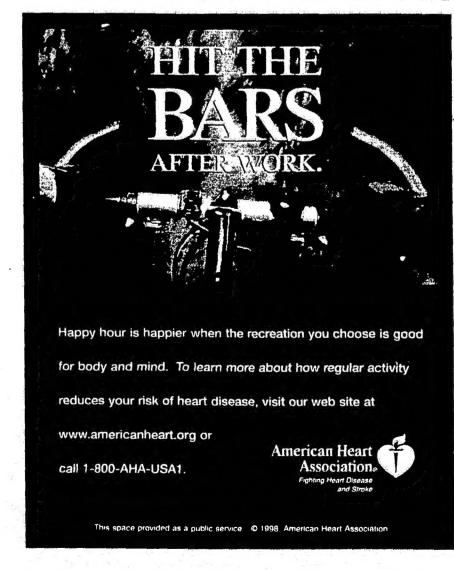


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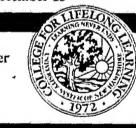


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that land to complete the bounda-

ries of the preserve," he said. "All

the land in Dead River Township is

supposed to be part of the pre-

The PUC has asked CMP to re-

spond to the complaint by Dec. 18. After receiving CMP's response,

the PUC commissioners will decide

if they should undertake an investi-

gation. There are no time con-

CMP's perspective

said, "We have a long-standing

arrangement to allow public use of

our property. This (trail and hut) is

about as low-impact as you can

make a proposal, it's not a luxury

in the complaint. The land was not

taken by eminent domain."

odge. We see absolutely no merit

According to Allen, the lease has

already been signed, and the Public

Advocates' actions are unlikely to

change CMP's legal agreement

with Western Mountain Foundation

or their ability to build a hut on the

CMP has leased other lots in the

area. Although Allen was unsure of

the specifics of each lease, he said

the leases were for individual

camps and to rafting companies. If

the PUC does undertake an investi-

gation, all these leases may come

The Bigelow Preserve

ated by referendum vote in 1976,

when a group of out-of-state devel-

opers planned to build a giant ski

resort there. The referendum, which

passed by a vote of 85,000 to

80,000, allowed for snowmobiling

and timber harvesting, but no other

mechanized traffic, including cross-

The 36,000-acre preserve contains the entire Bigelow Range. It is

traversed by one of the most diffi-

cult sections of the Appalachian Trail. According to Ralph Knoll,

country groomers.

The Bigelow Preserve was cre-

CMP spokesperson, David Allen,

straints on that decision.

Huts

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According to Warren, the land acquisitions, easements, and leases for the trail corridor and three hut sites are completed and most of the financing is in the works.

But the proposal has raised the ire of the Friends of Bigelow, Eight miles of the trail would cross the Bigelow Preserve. One of the hut sites, Flagstaff Lake frontage owned by CMP, is on land in Dead River Township that the Friends contend is supposed to become part of the Bigelow Preserve.

The Public Advocate

To prevent the Flagstaff hut and trail, Dick Fecteau, chairman of Friends of Bigelow, asked the Public Advocate for the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) to intervene. Fecteau said he believes it is illegal for CMP to lease the Flagstaff land for commercial purposes.

The property is one of the many parcels acquired by Kennebec Reservoir Company in the 1920s and '30s for an ambitious project building the dams on the Dead River that created Flagstaff Lake and drowned the town of Flagstaff. CMP acquired the holdings of the Kennebec Reservoir Company in

Eric Bryant, senior counsel for the Public Advocate Office, has asked the PUC to investigate the lease, based on Fecteau's complaint. A Dec. 2 press release explains the basis for the request:

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"These acquisitions were made under the threat of eminent domain. Because of the grant of eminent domain authority came directly from the Legislature and concerned a specific area of land, we question the legality of any commercial use

of the property. According to Bryant, the Public Advocate's complaint is with CMP's efforts to lease the land for commercial purposes, not with the proposed hut and trail system. "The concern to us is that a utility given eminent domain power is developing something without going back. to the Legislature for permission to do so. We would take the same action if the lease was for a gas station or a casino,'

In an 11-page legal brief the Public Advocates Office filed with the PUC, it suggests that acquiring property under threat of eminent domain is enough to "infuse the property with the public use requirement," and suggests that the ratepayers are entitled to part of the proceeds from the lease. But the same document also asks the PUC to void the lease.

The brief does not suggest an appropriate public use for the land: "We believe that the decision concerning a proper public use of the property is one for the Legislature."

When asked if the hut system, which would expand public access to the Bigelow Preserve, constituting a public use, Bryant responded, "We've made the decision that this

is not a public use." Fecteau, however, is certain of the public use the Legislature should opt for. "The Bureau of Parks and Lands needs to acquire



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director of planning and land acquisition for the Bureau of Parks and Lands, the preserve is managed by a plan adopted in 1989.

"Our initial notion was for snowmobiling and skiing on one trail," Knoll said. "It appears to make more sense to separate the uses." When the management plan was written, Knoll said that there wasn't a lot of interest in cross-country skiing, and snowmobiles were louder and slower then they are

Knoll suggested that additional hiking trails in the preserve might help disburse some of the foot traffic off the AT. "The AT that goes across the preserve is heavily used, over used," he said.

The bureau is working with Warren to find a route to cross the preserve. But because of the language in the referendum, Knoll said it is unlikely the trail could be groomed

unless the Legislature approves it.
Friends of Bigelow founder,
Lance Tapley, said, "This was preserved by the people of the state for their heritage, it was not meant to be a subset of Sugarloaf. The whole project could change the whole western mountain experience; it needs to be looked at carefully."

Many residents in communities along the proposed trail see an opportunity to stimulate the local economy. Wednesday night, Warren met with community leaders in Millinocket, who told him they would like to find a way to connect their town to the trail — if it ever. gets built. Warren said he has heard the same thing from residents in Kingfield, The Forks, Andover, and from residents here in Bethel.

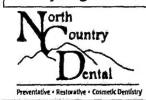
Landon Fake, director of Hurricane Island Outward Bound and president of the Mahoosuc Land Trust, said, "I'm very supportive of projects that support low-impact recreation — non-motorized recreation. It puts us on the map as being a destination for people who are interested in responsible use of the back country."



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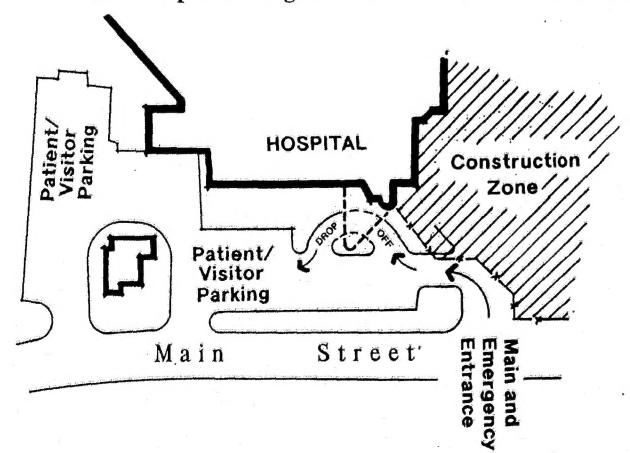


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sections addressing a future landuse plan, a capital-investment plan, a hazard-mitigation plan and a plan to participate in regional coordina-

tion with other towns. The land-use plan proposes to revise the town's previous land use map to include new development

For example, the Branch Road and the Powder Ridge development would be added to the existing general development areas, to reflect the development trend in those areas in the past 10 years. They had previously been included under the "rural development" designation.

shed improvements, Grange Hall improvements, recreation easements; new fire equipment, and possibly a Scenic Byway turnout/information center.

The new hazard-mitigation section addresses ways to minimize the effects of natural disasters, such as winter and summer storms and droughts. Steps might include a public infrastructure improvement plan to correct areas frequently

damaged by flooding.

The regional coordination section addresses such areas as affordable housing and economic develop-

Newry's population has grown by 46 percent over the past 20 years.

The general development area covers a wide range of development, including single-family residences, multi-family residences, and mobile home parks.

In another proposed change, the area within Sunday River Ski Resort would have a new classification as a "resort development area" instead of the current general development designation.

According to the draft's explanation, "Development standards need to be flexible to allow concentrated development and the creation of village commercial areas. In addition, standards to manage storm water, erosion, sewage disposal, water supply, transportation systems, impact on the visual landscape and architectural character must all be considered in development review."

A third type of land use designation proposed is the "critical rural area," intended to maintain large blocks of forestland and open

The label corresponds to the rural development area designation of the 1992 plan, and includes most of Newry's land. Development in those areas, said Maloney, would be largely limited by nature, be-cause of the difficulty accessing much of the land.

The capital-investment plan identifies needs anticipated over the next 10 years, including road improvements, Sunday River water-

Maloney said he did not believe the revised plan would lead to significant ordinance changes for the town, only some minor adjust-

Noteworthy statistics

The committee also compiled an inventory of the town's resources, drawing on several sources of information, including the 2000 cen-

Among the statistical findings: the year-round population has increased by 46 percent over the past 20 years, to 344; the population is expected to reach 400 by 2013; the peak season population may reach 20,000 by 2013 (currently 10,000); Newry's labor force has been stable over the past five years; 33 percent of residents work in recreation/entertainment jobs; Newry's median household income, at \$42,300, was the highest of surrounding communities and higher than Oxford County; in 2000 there were 161 year-round homes and 914 seasonal/second homes; the median sale price of an "offmountain" home is \$140,000; between 1990 and 2001, 62 percent of the new residential structures were constructed in the Sunday River Valley and 38 percent in the Bear River Valley.

Maloney said the committee plans a mailing to residents informing them when the plan will be available for review and when the public meetings will take place.







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Saturday, December 14: Open House

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Saturday, December 14:

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Sunday, December 15:

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- · Black or yellow yarn for hair White glue
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- 2. Cut some small pieces of yarn for the hair and glue on.
- 3. Cut a muffin liner in two for wing
- **4.** Glue wings to back of clothes pin
- **5.** Dress the angel in either a cloth or paper dress, use glue to fix "dress" to body.

Easy Christmas Ornament

This craft is a great one to do with your kids!

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- · 2 different pieces of scrap material one plain and one patterned
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- · Pinking sheers and scissors Light Cardboard
- Iron
- Narrow Ribbon

Use a can or juice lid to make a circle on the plain material (it could be any shape), cut 2 pieces. Cut out the same size circle of cardboard. Look in a coloring book or magazines for a shape to trace for the middle of your ornament (both sides). Trace the shape on to the patterned material. Cut out shapes and circles. Cut fusing material just a bit smaller than the shape and circle. Cut a length of ribbon to use as a hanger. Fuse each circle to the faces of the cardboard circle with the one end of the ribbon between the fusing material and the material at the top of the ornament on each side. Fuse the shapes to each side of the circles. Hang your creation on the tree!

Bead Wreath & Candy Cane

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Candy Cane. Buy red and white beads, string on a pipe cleaner bend ends to hold beads on. A ribbon can be added.

Source:

Christmas Time Together at imagitek.com

Candy Cane Pass (relay race)

Supplies: 4 candy canes per team (have extras due to breakage)

How to play: Player holds 4 candy canes between fingers and passes them down the line, teammate to teammate, without dropping.

Pass the Ornament

Supplies: Straw for each child "Ornaments" cut out of tissue paper

How to play: Pass the ornaments down the line, teammate to teammate, by inhaling and exhaling on the straw to hang onto or release ornament. No hands!

Rudolph Dash

Supplies: Cut cirlces out of red construction paper. Vaseline.

How to play: Have child put Vaseline on their nose and then put the red circles on their nose. Relay race to the finish with each new person adding their red nose. If nose falls, go back to bowl and add more Vaseline and reapply nose.

Santa Says

How to play: Played similar to Simon Says, the player up is "Santa". Player will say "Santa says hop on one foot". The children will hop on one foot. Player will say "Stop". The children are to keep hopping on one foot until player says "Santa Says stop". Repeat for additional activities such as take one baby step forward, step backwards, turn around, sit down. Sometimes Santa will say "Santa says" and sometimes he won't. It is a fun game to play with young children.

Fill the Christmas Stocking

Supplies: Stocking for each team. Spoon for each team. Bowl for each team. Wrapped Candy.

How to play: Divide into teams. Have players line up at one end of the room. At the other end, hang a Christmas stocking for each team. Place a bowl of candy and a spoon in front of each team. Each player takes a turn taking a candy from the bowl with the spoon. They then carry the candy on the spoon to the stocking and drop the candy in the stocking. Race back to the next person in line, give them the spoon. First team to fill the stocking wins!

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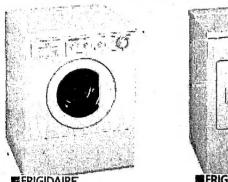
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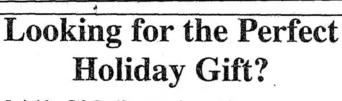
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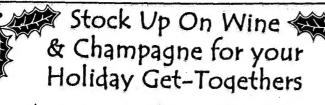
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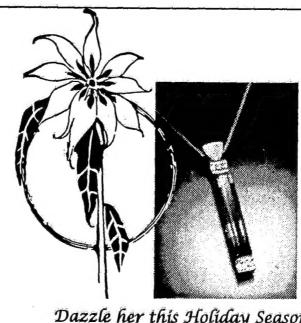
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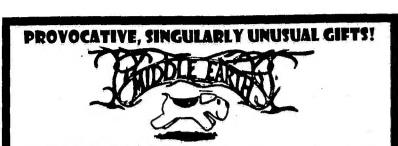
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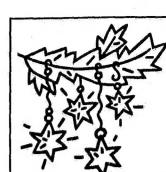
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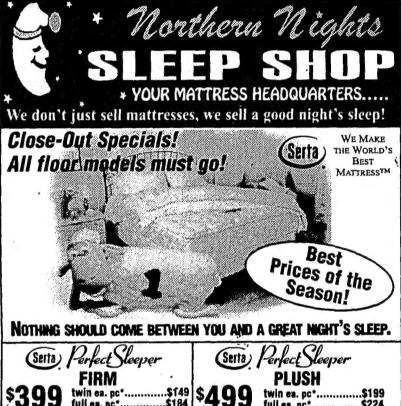
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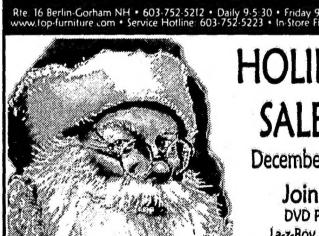
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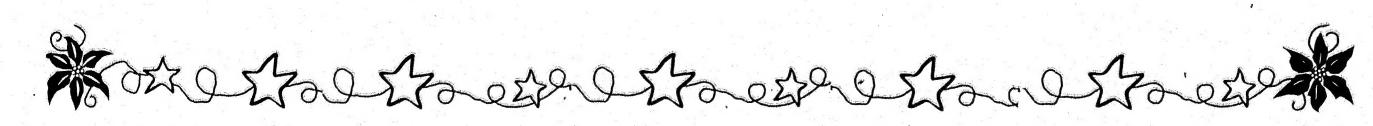
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Bethel



Virginia Keniston Aaron Stevens, son of Bruce and Lottie Stevens of Bar Harbor and grandson of

Muriel Butters of Bethel, will be traveling to Georgia to compete in the USA National Junior Olympics Championship. More than 3,000 athletes are expected to brave the elements Dec. 14 at the Carrollton Course in Carrollton, Ga., approximately 50 miles west of Atlanta. The national competition features both male and female races in five divisions ranging in age from 10 to 18. USATF's Junior Olympic cross-country program is made up of preliminary meets in 57 local associations, which lead to 16 regional championships. Thousands participate, and the group narrows to the "best of the best" at the National Championships each December. Aaron and five teammates from throughout Maine qualified on one of only three teams to advance from the Northeast Regionals held Nov. 23 in Smithfield, R.I. This fall, Aaron earned his third varsity letter in cross-country, helping his Mount Desert Island High School team to win the Eastern Maine High School championship.

Howard Donahue visited his sister and husband, Ruth and Bill Kichton in Woburn, Mass., for a few days and enjoyed Thanksgiving with his niece and family in Lawrence, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Curtis and grandson, Kyle, visited his mother, Edna Curtis, at Ledgeview Nursing Home last week.

United Methodist Women met Thursday at the home of Virginia Walker at Sudbury Village.

Jerry and Shireen Vincent of Chestnut Hill Road left this week to spend the winter in Texas.

Kay McMillin spent Thanksgiving Day with her sister, Edna Curtis, at Ledgeview Nursing Home.

Margaret "Amy" Davis joined her family at her daughter's, Betsy and Mark Retallack's, in Beverly, Mass., for Thanksgiving.
Mr. and Mrs. Rody Royer, Mr.

and Mrs. Rudy Royer and George joined a three-generation family gathering with Mr. and Mrs. Walter

Grace Douglass celebrated her

birthday on Thanksgiving Day with

family, Beth and River Ann from

Lovell, Brent and family, Brian and

Charlie and Debra Adams enter-

tained 15 family members on Sun-

day to celebrate Tim Adams' birth-

Bud Paine required surgery after

closing his thumb in the trunk of

Many, many friends and relatives

joined Bud and Joan Howe to cele-

brate their 50th wedding anniver-

sary at an open house held at Tom

Howe's home on Intervale Road. It

was planned as a surprise by their

sons and wives, Tom and Suzanne

On Dec. 6, Oxford Hills Dupli-

cate Bridge, with five full tables,

played a club championship. The

overall winners were: first, Beverly

Pelletier and Richard Balian: sec-

family, and Bruce.

and Bob and Linda.

his car.

Telstar Class of 2003 sold chocolate desserts Saturday at the Victoria Inn in Bethel as a fundraiser to support graduation activities. The treats were donated by area restaurants, parents and students. Pictured are (from left): Heather Zimmerman, Sadie Cole, Erin Tripp, Lauren Hart and John Reuter. (Photo by Michael Duniels)

TRY TO RESIST

THESE TREATS

Members of the

ond, Grace and Luke Merry; third, Howard and Virginia Cole; fourth, Bob and Sue Crane.

East Bethel 1



Nancy Mercer Alder River Grange will hold a regular meeting on Dec. 13 at Stan

Howe's home on Broad Street. There will be a 6 p.m. soup and chowder and 7 p.m. meeting. This being our Christmas meeting, please bring canned goods or something for the food pantry. If you wish to exchange cards, bring them

Clayton, Dot and Clark Bartlett had a good Thanksgiving feast with Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Bourne and family in Ogunquit.

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Roger and Louise Twitchell had Thanksgiving with a granddaughter in Bryant Pond. On Dec. 5, the Twitchells attended the Greenwood-Woodstock Senior Citizen meeting at the American Legion Hall in Greenwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bubier of Chesterville, Jill Olson and Eric Mills of Oxford, and Mr. and Mrs. Craig Aube of Falmouth had Thanksgiving with Neil and Linda

James Haines of Gray also had turkey with George and Charlene Haines.

Donald and Teresa Walker and family hosted a Thanksgiving dinner with Ruby Coolidge, Stanley Walker, and Steve and Rosie Cross and children as guests on Nov. 27. Bryce Walker's birthday was also celebrated.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Keith and family had Thanksgiving with Celeste's parents in Massachusetts.

Linsey lost her first tooth last week. I don't know if the Tooth Fairy came or not.

Florence Hastings is doing well. If you plan to visit her, call first, as the flu is in full swing at Market

We can use a little snow now for ground cover and banking.
Have a good week. God Bless America.

Hanover



by Clem Worcester Walter Sylvester was recently hospitalized and is now recuperating at home. He says

that he is feeling better but he has a few more doctor appointments to

The Androscoggin River froze over before the end of November this year. Usually it freezes around the first weekend in December, and for several years it has been much later than that. Howard Pond also froze over during the first week of December. Remember, be alert. The ice is not safe to go on. It takes much more cold weather than we have had to make ice safe. Some area residents reported below-zero temperatures already this fall.

Muzzleloader permits were a popular item after the end of November. A few hunters ended hunting season empty handed, but we have heard that some hunters were very lucky, or skillful, whichever the case may be.

Questionnaires to learn the residents' opinions about the Hanover Community Neighborhood Watch Program are available at Gordie Howe's Store and at the Town Office. The program is nearly a year old and organizers felt it would be a good idea to seek some opinions from the service area.

North Newry



Gil Seeley Sylvia Wight is back home after spending some

time at the

Ledgeview

Living Center .

in West Paris.

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Ras and Karlene Bachelder had a Thanksgiving dinner on Nov. 24 at their daughter's home, Claire and

THINK ABOUT OUR FUTURE ENVIRONMENT

e Way I See It

by Sharon Bouchard

Sharon Bouchard's column is published by special arrangement with the Advertising Department of this newspaper.

I suppose it's time that I got to my annual Christmas card mailing. I got it together a little earlier than this last year. Actually, I got it together as far as selecting, signing, addressing, stuffing and sealing the envelopes. The fact is, I never got around to mailing them and they are still in a box on the bottom shelf of my china cabinet. Shame on me.

This year's task should be as simple as taking those Christmas cards to the post office, putting postage on them and sending them out. It should be that simple, but of course, it isn't.

Last year some strange need came over me to communicate a little more than the preprinted greeting so I wrote a little note on each and every card as well. Even though there isn't much that changes in my life other than my age and dress size, in most of the notes I mentioned specific things that were only relevant to 2001.

Now the cards are useless and the only reason I didn't throw them away is because I figured I would at least have all the addresses that I needed in one spot. In past years I have spent a considerable amount of time going through old address books, envelopes stuffed in drawers and scraps of paper hidden in various pocket books.

This year I have been pondering if it is too impersonal and tacky to send e-greetings to those on my list with e-mail addresses. Some of the electronic Christmas cards are really very nice and some are quite cute. Some even have sound and animation. And the best part is that they can be found on the Internet for free and you don't have to pay 37 cents postage per card either.

But, there is something about the e-greetings that strikes me as impersonal and cheap. I guess it's a lot less impersonal than stuffing the real cards in one's china cabinet and not sending them out at all.

I'm sure that I'm not the only one considering the electronic sioned a London artist by the name

alternative to the traditional hard copy Christmas card. As the postal rates have increased over the years many people, myself included. have reduced their annual card list down to family and close friends. Now it's even difficult to find a decent boxed assortment of cards that is affordable.

Inman in West Paris for Thanksgiv-

Jen Shaw has left for employment

at a ski resort in Okemo, Vt., for

After spending a few years in Springfield, Vt., Deena, Gerard and

Chloe Guillet have moved to the

small village of East Poultney, Vt.

Together they run the post office

and country store right on the vil-

lage green. You can reach them at

Jackie Schuesler is recovering

Kathleen Hanscom is recovering

from a heart attack and heart sur-

from back trouble she has had for

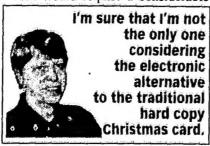
Chloeonthegreen@adelphia.net.

They miss their Bethel friends.

the winter.

five weeks.

Remember in the not too distant past in the days of Woolworths and Newberrys a box of 100 assorted cards could be found for \$3.99? Now, most of the boxed cards are all the same and expensive too. To select individual cards from the rack would require a considerable



bankroll. You can spend a lot of money for a Hallmark moment. I don't think sharing holiday greetings was meant to be a stressful experience. Whose bright idea was it to send Christmas cards anyway?

Actually, the bright idea is not credited to any one individual. At one time, people exchanged handwritten holiday greetings and somewhere along the line in the early 1800's the homemade cards started being mailed. The practice caught on to such an extent that in 1822 the Superintendent of Mails in Washington D.C. after having to hire extra holiday help to handle the large flow of cards, complained "I don't know what we'll do if this keeps on." I bet they wish they had that problem now-a-days.

The first commercial Christmas cards were the brainchild of Sir Henry Cole, a wealthy British businessman who wanted a card he could proudly send to friends and professional acquaintances to wish them a Merry Christmas,

So, Sir Henry, in 1843, commis-

of John Calcott Horsley to design just such a card. The inscription on Sir Henry's card simply said "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you." "Merry" was then a spiritual word meaning "blessed", as in "merry" old England. I could not find out, when the "m" became capitalized or when the meaning became more jolly in thought. I did find out however, that Sir Henry had 1,000 cards printed that year, of which 12 still exist in private collections, unless they have been sold on eBay, which wouldn't surprise me a bit.

After that, printed Christmas cards became all the rage in England and shortly thereafter, in Germany. Americans were a little slower to adopt the idea, but in 1875, a Boston lithographer, Louis Prang, began publishing cards and earned the title "father of the American Christmas card."

Mr. Prang's high-quality cards were costly, and they initially featured not such images as the Madonna and Child, a decorated tree or even Santa Clause, but colored floral arrangements of roses, daisies, gardenias, geraniums and apple blossoms. Americans took to the Christmas card, but not to Prang's; he was forced out of business in December of 1890. Merry Christmas Mr. Prang. It was cheap penny Christmas postcards imported from Germany that remained the vogue until World War I. By the war's end, American's modern greeting card industry was born.

Until the appearance of e-mail and the repeated increases in postage, over two billion Christmas cards were sent in the United States each year. That figure came from a 1989 reference, so I don't know exactly what the figures are today. I'm sure that, in spite of the decline in people mailing Christmas cards. that the figure is still very, very high. At least, that's the way I see it and that helps remove the guilt of two-dozen unsent having Christmas cards in my china cabi-

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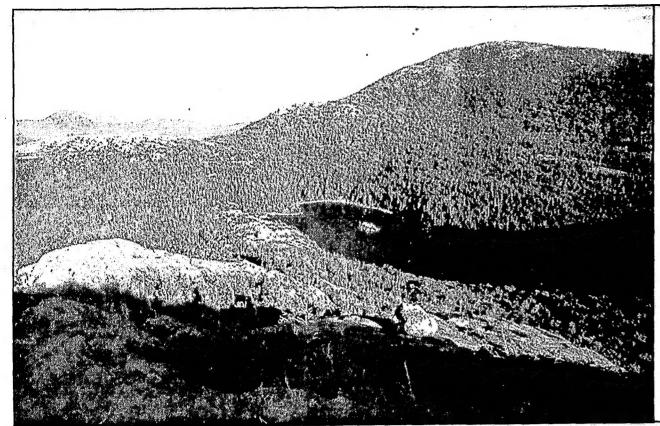
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POPULAR HIKING AREA GETS NEW PROTECTION

With Gov.-elect John Baldacci looking on, Gov. Angus King announced a two-part land deal Monday that preserves 11,600 acres on and near western Maine's Tumbledown Mountain, a popular attraction for hikers and other outdoors enthusiasts.

The land includes the peak of Tumbledown Mountain and a pristine, alpine pond (left) at the top of the 3,068-foot mountain, and hiking trails leading to those and other sites in Township 6 north of Weld. You can see what a gorgeous, extraordinary place it is," said King as he pointed to a panoramic photo of the site. "This is a beautiful gem of a project."

The deal, which guards the land from development while keeping it open for public use, is part of a larger project backed by state and private conservation groups to preserve 30,000 acres in the region. Baldacci, who will succeed King on Jan. 8, praised King for his part in preserving more than one million acres of wild Maine land during the Independent's eight years in office. Including agreements still in the works, about 1.6 million acres will have been put off-limits to developers, King said.

Baldacci, a Democrat, said he will "not have to reinvent the wheel" in working out land agreements after he occupies the governor's office. "I'll just have to steer it," said Baldacci.

King said the latest transaction carries on a tradition in Maine that gained momentum generations ago with Gov. Percival Baxter's acquisition of Mount Katahdin and its environs. Baxter, governor from 1921-25, gave the land to the people of the state.

The deal announced by King involves two parts. The state Conservation Department bought nearly 3,800 acres, including the summit of Tumbledown, from Hancock Land Co.

In the second part, the department bought an easement that permanently bars development, guarantees public access and ensures sustainable forest cutting on 7,800 acres that will continue to be owned and managed by Hancock Land Co.

A national nonprofit conservation group called the Trust for Public Land negotiated with the landowner and helped raise private funding for the project. Matt Hancock, president of Hancock Land, said the end result "is a fabulous legacy for the people of Maine."

The \$3.4 million cost was covered with federal, state and private money. (Photo courtesy of Jerry and Marcy Monkman/www.ecophotography.com)

George Romano's in Wiscasset. Also, there were granddaughter, Michelle, and husband, Paul Josephson, and their two children, Nicky and Kylie. The other members of the family, Tom and wife, Shannon O'Donnell, were busy with their newborn 8-pound baby girl of three days and couldn't come. Of course, I was also there to enjoy the feast and fun.

Santa's coming to the Newry Grange on Dec. 15 from 2 to 4 p.m. All children are welcome. There will be cookie decorating, arts and crafts and food, and a special visit from Santa.

Gilead



Elise Caswell I'm back. I've spent the past two days testing out the snow at Sunday River on a

brand new pair of skis, and I confess — a good pair of shaped skis is as deeply pleasurable to ski on as a custom-made ballpoint pen is to write with. It's the feel of the process that hooks my attention. Otherwise, I would be sitting in the mar-

gins doodling away my fear.

I once had a second-grade teacher, who in these times would have been put away for child abuse. Miss Pelletier was a black-haired lady with long red fingernails and matching lipstick. She'd point her red-tipped index finger at a noisy boy and hiss her icy command Everyone froze. She left her most lasting mark on me during an art lesson. We were making Easter pictures of bunnies pushing a wheelbarrow of eggs. I felt mine needed a big, bright yellow sun actions light on the whole scene. shining light on the whole scene. My instinct was to create, yellow crayon to white paper, voila — lured to the open page and the delight. Next thing I knew that bony sire to share again the joys and

finger was pointing at me. I was dressed from head to toe in shame as she stood me up in front of the class to mock me for "not following directions". I was punished for my joy and creativity by being told to "march" around the room with my picture held up in front of me. Round and round the room I walked - one eternal moment in time - one day in the life of an eight-year-old child. She changed me forever. I developed a fear of the white page and I experience her icy, pointed finger every time I sit down to a field of white. You might say she broke my flow.

One late December day as a teenager newly in love with a skier and with skiing, I was feeling especially confident and taking extra runs by myself during lunch when trails were less populated. At 17, I had my whole independent life ahead unfolding like a mountain trail. I took a turn too wide and caught an edge on a piece of tree. Broke my ankle. And yes, I felt shame for letting my confidence get ahead of me. That single moment in time created a lifelong fear of falling, fear of being too cocky - maybe even a fear of feeling great about myself. I also had an informed appreciation of the lengthy healing process necessary for bones. Again, the message vibrates into my present as a fear of my first run. The few days before my first time out is a regular tear-jerking soap opera. Same old script — getting old.

This has been a big year for me. Yep, I'll say it out loud: it has been my big five-oh. I was given a beautiful handmade wood pen, made by and letting it rip on Escapade on my new skis, I find my pen being

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In the December 19th and December 26th issues of

challenges of creating a new home up here in Maine. Feeling like a bright yellow crayon at play on the wide white slopes, writing my love into the snow with a fine pair of skis has informed me of something else — the joy I find in picking up a writing tool and sharing my thoughts. I don't know what ever happened to Miss Pelletier but now that I'm fifty, I don't need to worry about her red-tipped finger pointing at me. And to remind myself just how she pissed me off, I painted a huge, bright yellow sun on my bathroom wall freehand. So there. Isn't it heartening to know that we grow strong in the broken places and that good equipment really makes a difference? And that someone has turned snowmaking, the creation of that wide white trail, into an art? It's ready to receive whatever you want to project into your moment face to face with emptiness.



Eleanor LeComte

Penny Bernier has been quite ill this week and we do hope she is feeling bet-

thoughts are with you, Penny. The pre-Christmas rush is on with everyone pursuing their favorite pastime, be it shopping, fairs,

parties or gift-wrapping.

The Ladies Aid looks very pretty with the lighted wreath provided by school building also has a lighted wreath. Sue Nelson always places beautiful greens on the church doors. It all looks very Christmassy with the snow as a backdrop. We really don't have very much snow as yet.

Evelyn Kenney and three of her longtime friends attended the Paris Hill House Walk. There were

eleven homes decorated for the season. Wonderful aromas from candles and greens permeated the air. Hospitable and warm greetings met us at each door. Everyone was treated as family as each house was

toured. Saturday was another "Fair" day. Several ladies from Upton invaded Bethel for the pre-Christmas festivities. The first stop was the "Greens Sale" at the West Bethel Union Church. Thank you to Jane for the beautiful wreath with her own greens mixed with balsam fir. Main Street shopping was next on the agenda, followed by our annual visit to the "Taste of Bethel" at the high school, Each station visited served mouthwatering delights. The wreaths offered for bid were very beautiful and well thought out. I placed a bid on two of them and being of Scottish decent, my bids were probably the joke of the day with the judges. Following this event, we charged on to the Bethel Congregational Church for 'more shopping and eating. Their annual fair was wonderful as usual with the ladies at the tea all dressed in Christmas colors. The "downstairs event" with greens, baked goods, crafts and a white elephant sale provided something for everyone. Our last stop was the Philbrook Mall to visit with Pok Sun Lane to get information on the opening of the new restaurant, Her cooking skills are legendary, so when it opens on the weekend of the 14th, it would be a great place to gain a few seasonal unwanted pounds.

Bird watchers all over the North Country are complaining about the carcity of birds. Have no fear, they have been dining on wild food in the forests and fields as appropriate. The lack of birds at the feeder ended the other day with a golden flock of Evening Grosbeaks, chat-tering, chirping, fighting and spill-ing seeds every which way. These colorful, greedy birds formerly bred no further east than Minnesota. Following the feeder trail, they invaded New England about 50 years ago. They now breed from British Columbia to Nova Scotia and south to New England. The Evening Grosbeak is a finch about seven and one-half inches to eight inches in size. It has a pronounced greenish-yellow conical bill. The male, of course, has the bright yel-

low with bold dark wing patches. The female is gray, white and black. Although her plumage is pretty, the male is so much more striking. They nest in coniferous forests and in deciduous urban woodlands. These birds arrive in throngs and their sharp chirping and chattering cuts through the winter air. Although we admire their beauty, we wish they could curb their appetite. Nevertheless the Evening Grosbeak, our "Bird of the Week," can light up the dreariest winter day.

Andover



oan Stinson Carney This is a warning — The Andover Town

Office will be

closed on

Thursday, Dec. 26. So if you have any business, such as car registrations, whatever, make sure that you get it done on or before Dec. 24. Thank you.

The family of Delmar Parker wish to invite you to an open house on Dec 14 at his home at 98 Airport Road. Party starting time is 2 p.m. They are celebrating his 62nd birthday and his retirement, after 44 years, from Andover Wood Products. His retirement won't go into effect until Dec. 31, but why not celebrate early. Happy Birthday, and Best Wishes, Delmar.

It seems that we have some television celebs here in Andover. Bill and Paula Smith recently appeared on PBS Channel 10 on a program about winter weather. They work for the National Weather Service in Gray and report local weather for Channel 13 in Portland. They took viewers on a tour of their sap house and all the weather instruments around their yard. The program was

shown on Thanksgiving night.
Speaking of PBS, last Saturday
evening I watched a special entitled "This Land is Your Land." It was a really good program about the start of folk music and had a lot of groups including The Kingston Trio, The Brothers Four, The Smothers Brothers, and lots more. I had only one problem with it. These groups were popular when I

was young and they were young, and boy have they gotten old wonder what that makes me. I think they are planning to show it again; if they do, don't miss it, it's great.

Marjorie Stinson will arrive back home Dec. 15 after an extended vacation in Michigan. We tried to talk her into staying until spring, but no dice. It seems that she misses us, especially Rocky, Lorena, Mary, the folks at church, and our wonderful winter weather.

Richie Jodrey was subjected to a surprise 50th Birthday Party last Saturday night. After they revived him from his dead faint, he and everyone else who attended had a wonderful time.

The "Book of the Week" is titled "The Christmas Train," the author is David Baldacchi. It's a wonderful little book that is very appropriate for this time of the year and is available at the Andover Public

The Town wishes to thank Vickie and Marshall Meisner for decorating the Town Common again this year. It looks wonderful. I was told that Vickie was the "engineer" and Marshall was the "grunt." Anyway, it makes our town look even more beautiful and we appreciate the donated effort.

See 'ya.

Bryant Pond



Alice Hoyt Sympathy is extended to the family of Ge-Gammon. Sympathy is

also extended to the family of Robert Howe.

Philip House has a new Christ-mas CD and tape for sale. You may purchase one from his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bellmont House.

Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday School fellowship time at 8:55 a.m. with a snack, Sunday School and Adult Bible fellowship are at 9:15 a.m., morning worship at 10:30 a.m. and evening service at 6 p.m. Dec. 22, the Christmas musical, "Herald the News," will be

conducted in the evening.

Franklin Grange 124 will meet
Saturday, Dec. 14, with a potluck

Hope everyone had a nice Thanksgiving. We did. We joined a group of 31 at my sister Leatrice and John Chase's, along with my mother, Beatrice Farnum.

Maggie and Joseph Hoyt visited their dad, James Hoyt, over the

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bined choir will present this Can-

tata at the West Paris Baptist

Church at 2 p.m. Come out and

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weekend. On Sunday, Maggie celebrated her birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Chase and boys have moved into their new home. Tressa's daughter, Tiffany, her husband and triplet boys have

been visiting them from Georgia. Brian Hathaway was a recent guest of his grandmother, Barbara Hathaway.

Barbara Hathaway was hostess for Thanksgiving dinner with 14 in attendance.

The Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens met on Thursday for a meeting, dinner and Christmas party. Around 30 attended. A delicious dinner was served by the Legion Auxiliary. Food items for the food pantry and items for Kids for Christmas were brought.

Curator Larry Billings plans to give the manuscript of the book he recently wrote on civilization to the Historical Society Museum as a Christmas gift. He also sent out Christmas cards to society members. The Historical Society has tools and farm items in its collection. It also has mill pictures and of course the clothespin sign. Curator Billings read a book by Martha Stewart, "Entertaining." He is going to give the book to the society. The society features fine country furniture. That donated by George Allen England was actually made by Indians. In addition, the curator donated Sheraton Hancock chairs, pressed-back chairs and several other country pieces. The collection of furniture is, as a result, quite impressive. The society does not have a large museum store, but some things would make good gifts. The Billings family can help you out. The society meets on Saturday, Dec. 14, for a meeting, potluck supper and Christmas party at

South Woodstock



Andrea Wing Sorry there wasn't any news last week. Time got away from me.

Tommy Poland ioined daughter Tracy and family at her home for Thanksgiving Day. Later in the afternoon, 25 dropped by for desserts at Tommy's home,

Claribel Poland spent the holiday at her son and daughter-in-law's home, Leon and Rosalie Poland. They were joined by Alex and Gretchen Poland, Lloyd and Gina Poland, Jason Cannuli and two children. Claribel received calls from family that weren't able to be here to celebrate.

Sandra Poland and Kim Ells-Randi and Jaymi Mack to the mov-

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ies this past week.

The Mack girls each got a deer in November. Jaymi got a 135-pound doe, This was her first deer, Randi shot a button buck and Megan got a small doe.

Kellie and Brad Record had Thanksgiving at their home with Ed and Leatrice Record, Sarah and Phil Lynch and son Zack, Jessie Hart and Kyle Komulainen, Jennie Record and Linsey Record.

Jessie Hart, Sarah and Phil Lynch and Zack had a late day Thanksgiving at their grandparents' home, Earl and Pat Hart.

Richard and I had 11 guests for turkey day. Rick Wing's boys, Ryan and Doug, came. Sarah Lynch and Zack also joined us for dinner, I had only seen the boys once since last Christmas, Everyone is busy. Always glad to see them all.

Terry and Phil Merrill hosted the holiday dinner at their home. Others attending were Joan and Phelps Poland, Todd, Lynda and Erik Poland and Andrew Merrill, Lissa Merrill could not attend, as she was in Arizona with her family for Thanksgiving. She went to see Diana and John Dunn and boys while she was there. Diana is stationed in the service there.

Tim Poland got a nice six-point buck during hunting season. Good

Jessie Hart has traded cars. She had a sports car but decided she needed a four-wheel drive for the winter weather.

My sister, Evelyn Dunn of Campton, N.H., called Friday to say that she and her husband, Jim, had been in a car accident on the way home from Maine. They are okay but the car didn't do so well.

I was sorry to hear of the death of Robert Howe. Much sympathy goes out to his wife, Patty, his famly and friends.

This time of year I always think of my brother, Leon Poland Jr., who died in Vietnam. He would have celebrated his birthday Dec. 1.

Happy birthday to those celebrating in December. They are: Charlie Lowe, Donna Danforth, Jeff Kennison, Alex Poland, Eda Waterhouse, Roni Grover Jr., Hannah Ryerson, Jaymi Mack, Ken Poland, Tara Monzo, Erica Monzo, Ashley Miclon, Jim Mason Jr., Paul Benson, Pam Benson, Cleo Ryerson, James Dunn, Phil Merrill, Arden Andrews and Lillian Herrick. A special birthday wish to my grandson,

Rvan Wing. Larry Billings, curator of the Woodstock Historical Society, reports that Gary Fuller will present a special program on the Civil War to the society in January at the Town Hall conference room. It is all part of a membership drive.

Quote of the Week: "I've learned worth took Stephen Ellsworth, that gossip goes in one ear and out many mouths."

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the day. It was terrific to have them

Have a real conundrum for you.

This photo of a little boy was put

into my best friend's mailbox up on

High Street several weeks ago.

After checking with all the

neighbors to no avail, Peggy asked

if I would run the photo to see if

someone could identify it. Do you

know who it is? If you do, please

call 674-3872 so that the photo may

The Youth Group of the West

Paris Baptist Church will meet for

bowling, luncheon, games and

carol singing on Saturday, Dec. 14.

be returned to its rightful owner.

had a wonderful

Thanksgiving. I

Liam's Restaurant

Linda Brown in Augusta.

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Sidney and Cynthia Scott had

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a very cold night. The children also enjoyed wagon rides with Harry Hutchinson's horses. The tree in Veterans Park had the lights turned on during a short ceremony. Carols were sung. There were in the vicinity of 75 or more chilly people in attendance, Harlan Abbott, representing the selectmen, was present to show his interest in the school and school children and their contribution to the town spirit.

We were in North Conway recently and someone there told us that David North reads my article. Hi David. Hope you had a nice Thanksgiving.

Lois Ellingwood is a patient at Market Square Health Care in South Paris.

Seven members of Goodwill Fellowship Group of the UU Church met at Beryl Bonney's on Tuesday, to fill and deliver Christmas baskets for shut-ins.

Greenwood City



Rena Curtis Here it is another week. It sure is cold and windy. My cold water pipe in the kitchen

froze Wednesday morning, but got it thawed out easily. Fred Curtis and Kevin Russell both got their deer last week, both

bucks. Brad and Ann Payne went down to Minot to their daughter Beth's to help their son-in-law, Jim Paradis, celebrate his 40th birthday recently.

Ann went to church Sunday, then went down to see her Aunt Colista Morgan. Milton and Eleanor Inman had

Thanksgiving dinner with their son Gary and his wife Lesley and their children Caili and Ani. They went up to Sunday River Summit Hotel to an art exhibit that Caili was involved with at her art school.

Eleanor helped at the church dinner at the church in Norway. There is a black dog running

around the neighborhood. I don't know whose it is. It looks like a black lab.

Marie Curtis and I went to Auburn one day this week shopping.

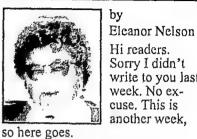
I finally got my hot water tank working again. It needed a regula-

Saturday, my great-nephew and wife, Artie and Jayne Cogswell of Topsham, visited us. We hadn't seen them for a long time, so had a good time getting caught up on their family. They brought up their daughter's wedding pictures. We

were pleased to see them. Albert Curtis Jr. and Albert Curtis III of town and Jason Curtis of Oxford visited me one day.

That's all there is for this week. Hope everyone stays warm and well. Have a good week.

East Stoneham



Sorry I didn't write to you last week. No excuse. This is another week,

Hubert and Esther Barker from Salem, N.H., were guests of Mertice and Carleton Barker recently.

went surgery and is now out of the hospital and is slowly recovering. Chuck MacDonald and Kerrie Geodfrey from Fort Mill, S.C., spent Thanksgiving week with

Phyllis Adams recently under-

Marilyn and Dick Jones. Danny and Geneva Barker had 16 family members and friends for

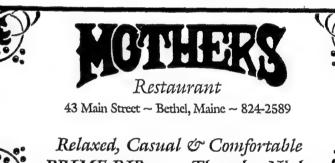
their Thanksgiving dinner. Frances Grant took Shirley Grant

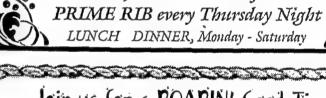
and JoAnn Hartford out for Thanksgiving dinner.

Molly and Matthew Nelson were home from their studies in the Boston area and Albert and I and Troy Nelson joined them and had Thanksgiving dinner with Dale and Kitty Nelson. We all do have a lot to be thankful for, don't we - our health, family and warm homes.

Well, folks, another member of Stoneham has arrived. Congratulations are going out to Becky and Jesse Adams on the birth of their son. He was born at the Conway Hospital on Nov. 27, weighing a little over seven pounds and his name is Chandler Wesley Adams. Welcome to the world, Chandler.

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bers of the Waterford Friendly Senior Citizens met at the Market Square Restaurant in South Paris for their monthly meeting and dinner. Prayer was done by the Rev. Frobig. Readings were done by several members, which were enjoyed. Also, trivia questions regarding Christmas were done by Marjorie Kimball. Members responded with quick answers, which was interesting.

It was voted by members not to exchange Christmas gifts this year, but instead to make donations to the basket for "Christmas for Teens." They raised \$75, I believe, which was good. It was good to get together. We won't be meeting again until April 2, 2003. Hope you all have a good winter.

On Dec. 4, Albert and I and Dale and Kitty Nelson went to the Fan Dangle Restaurant in North Conway and helped them celebrate their 25th anniversary. It was kind of dark and hard to read the menu there, so I gave Albert my little light and for a few minutes you'd have thought we were in the olden days out smelting at the brook, as we at our table kept saying keep the light down, and put the light out and he'd put the light up and say, "What?" I'm okay folks. Talk to you next week. You make it happen and I'll write about it.

Albany



by Dana & Sheila Dyke Greetings once again from Albany. The Youth Group held its first

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next sale will be the first Saturday

in January We adults had a great time at the Christmas Party at the church last Saturday evening. Great food, best company, and then a fun (and funny) Chinese auction style giftgiving followed. Makes us wish we'd have the party more than once

Betty Lou Gingras sang at church last Sunday. We also had a lively Sunday School last Sunday as well as we gave the lesson of the Good Shepherd, read Psalm 23, and then acted out "lost sheep" with the children. We think that perhaps it was the best lesson we'd had yet (and we all had a great deal of fun, too), As always, we hope that our Sun-day School classes (all age groups), the congregation and the Youth Group will continue to grow. Sunday School starts at 9 a.m., with church services following at 9:30. We invite any and all out to our little church to enjoy the warmth, fellowship, music and worship.

The Ruggs and the Dykes went to our monthly meeting of the Christian Motorcyclist Association on Monday evening. We will be starting our ministry classes very soon. So far, we've got the bike (Dana's), the helmet, and the hearts to God. Give us a bit of training and another bike, and we'll be downright "dangerous."

Bible study, as usual, will be held on Thursday evening at Fernand and Holle Corriveau's home starting at 6:30 p.m. We're still studying Proverbs, but we're whizzing right through them. Last week, we had a representative (Wendell Scribner) with the Gideon's join our little group. Thank you, Pastor Gammon, for bringing another to

share the Word with us. The Youth Groups will be meeting on Friday starting at 5 p.m. for the little ones, with the older kids meeting at 6 p.m. We will rehearse our four songs for Saturday, and then meet at the church at 9 a.m. Saturday morning to do a quick rehearsal, say a little prayer, and then head out to the nursing homes.

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Parents, you are also more than welcome to join in, as we will be singing four songs at each of the four area nursing homes and visiting with the residents.

Best wishes to a safe, happy and healthy holiday season. God Bless and keep.

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All our members are invited to a couple of great upcoming events. On Wednesday, Dec. 18 from 7:30 to 9 a.m., we will be holding our monthly Community Networking Breakfast at the Bethel Inn and Country Club. Our special guest speaker is Congressman-elect Mike Michaud. Mike is traveling around the 2nd District, meeting with business people to listen to their concerns about the future of their businesses. This is a great opportunity to send Mike to Washington, D.C. fully knowing the issues that are important to all of you. The chamber needs you to register for this breakfast by calling 824-2282 or emailing us at

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than Tuesday, Dec. 17. A full buffet breakfast will be served in the South Dining Room for \$5 per per-

The following day, on Thursday, Dec. 19, the chamber, in cooperation with Mt. Abram Family Ski Resort will be holding an Open House/Business After Hours at the "Loose Boots Lounge" in their main lodge on the Howe Hill Road in Greenwood, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Holiday refreshments and libations will be served - come meet their new general manager, Rik Dow, and hear about their plans for this coming ski season,

A big welcome to two new chamber members: Affordable Townhouse, Alice Lorenzotti, owner. This is a two-bedroom condo at the Pleasant River Condo complex in West Bethel, Alice can be contacted at (781) 899-2829. The second member is Hotels.com out of Miami, Fla. Their tag line is: save up to 70 percent on lodging in cities worldwide, the Internet's leader provider of hotel accommodations. Our contact is Melanie Rice, advertising manager.

The Taste of Bethel and Theme Wreath Auction were a great success thanks to the participating businesses and volunteers. Many thanks to: Sudbury Inn, Bethel Inn, Good Food Store, Mothers, Marta's Bakery and Catering, Briar Lea, Kit 'N Kaboodle, Café DiCocoa, Gideon Hastings House, Sunday River Brewing Co., The Lake House, Granny's Burritos, Saturday's Cantina at Sunday River, Jordan Grand Hotel and Telstar Regional High School Intro to Foods class. Beautiful Theme Wreaths were made and donated by: Inn at the Rostay, Bethel Inn and Country Club, Linda Clifford
—Scottish and Irish Merchant, Sunday River Ski Resort, Pooh Corner Farm, Riverview Resort, Peterson's Pet Stop, Bethel Historical Society, Key Bank, Timeless Treasures, Pat's Pizza, Village Sampler, Great Grizzly/Matterhorn, Designs, Maine Line Products. S.Timberlake and Co. Mayville House, Kit 'N Kaboodle, Java House, Toy Store Philbrook Place, Red Gate Farm, Mt. Mann Jewelers, Sunday River Inn and Cross Country Ski Center and Professional Massage Therapy. Thanks, also, to all the folks who attended the event and bid on the wreaths. The volunteers made the event go

smoothly and must be thanked. They were: Dave Freiday, Doug Zinchuk, Hank Messier, Paula Gillies, Ginny Walker, Susan Herlihy, Jeanie Waite, Barbara Douglass, Kathy Thrall, Roger Larson, Nancy Babcock, Marjorie Osgood, Joe Cardello, Al and Jackie Cressy, Carole Duplessis, and also a thanks to Felstar Regional High School for

hosting the event and Gould Acad-

emy for lending us the tables. Additionally, the chamber would like to thank Mike Steven for agreeing to be Santa for the annual Christmas Tree Lighting, to Bethel Rotary for taking care of the lights on the "big tree," to Rite Aid and Bethel Foodliner for donating candy canes, the Bethel Fire Department for providing Santa's transportation to the common and to the Bethel Inn and Country Club for sponsoring the horse-drawn wagon rides last weekend. This community is filled with individuals and businesses who are so generous with their time and resources - we are truly blessed.

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From the Telstar Alumni **Association**

The Telstar Alumni Association held its annual Halloween Costume Dance at the Locke Mills Legion Hall on Saturday, Oct. 26, with very good attendance. The attendees danced to the music of The Impalas, a golden oldies rock and

roll band, Many people arrived in costume and participated in the costume parade and contest held during the evening. The competition was tough, but judges Doreen and Harold Wilbur and Al and Patsy Cote sorted through the assortment of costumes that get better every year, and this year's were exceptional,

making decisions difficult. Prize winners were as follows: Randy and Carol Hart (Best Couple), Sheri and David Wilson (Best Couple), Linda Buck (Funniest), Mike Hart (Judge's Choice), Albert White (Judge's Choice), Nikki Davis (Most Original) and Larry Bean (Best Halloween Theme).

Many thanks to all the businesses who generously donated prizes including Liam's Restaurant, Ruthie's, Books 'N Things, Finish Line Pizza, Telstar Video, Casablanca Cinema, Maine Line Products, Moose's Tail Restaurant, Sudbury Inn, BIG Adventure Center, and Crossroads Diner.

Thanks to Maine Line Products for selling tickets, to Ruel and Maureen Swain for pumpkins and cornstalks for decorations, and to Leah Deegan for her help at the dance. Thanks to Telstar Alumni Association members and friends

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On Dec. 5, after a 6 p.m. potluck supper, members of the Post and Unit gathered in the auxiliary meeting room where Martha Stowell read the names of those who had purchased bulbs on the three Christmas trees and whom each bulb was honoring or memorializing. The group then went outside, and after prayers by the Department of Maine American Legion chaplain, Don Simoneau, each of the first two trees were lit. After walking to the corner of the grounds where the other tree is located, prayer was offered by the Unit chaplain, Helvi Cary, and that tree was lit. They will remain lit until 4 Chaplains Day in early February. Money from the sale of bulbs will be used for gifts for veterans at the Western Maine Veterans' Home and/or other facilities.

During the meeting that followed the tree lighting, the Second District (Androscoggin, Franklin and Oxford counties) president, Roberta

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By virtue of and in execution of a Judgement of Foreclosure and Sale entered August 20, 2002, entered in the District Court, District Eleven, Division of N. Oxford, Docket No. RUM-RE-02-29, in an action entitled Green Point Credit Corp. (hereinafter referred to as "Mortgagee") versus Tammy Ward and Lawrence Ward (hereinafter referred to as "Mortgagors"), for the foreclosure of a mortgage with respect to certain property located at 349 Songo Pond Rd., Bethel, Maine, said mortgage dated October 1, 1999 and recorded in the Oxford County (S. Paris) Registry of Deeds in Book 2754, Page 191 (hereinafter referred to as the "Mortgage"), to which reference is hereby made for a more particular description of the property in question. The statutory ninety (90) day redemption period having elapsed without redemption, notice is hereby given that said property will be sold at public sale on January 9, 2003 at 4:00pm at the Law Office of Cynthia Dill, 6 D Street, South Portland, Maine 04106. The property, which consists of land together with a manufactured home and improvements thereon, shall be sold at public auction to the highest bidder. Any and all persons wishing to bid for the property must, prior to the start of the auction, register with the auctioneer, sign an agreement to be bound by the terms of the sale and pay a deposit of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) in the form of a cashier's or certified check made payable to Green Point Credit, the Mortgagee. Unsuccessful bidders shall receive a refund of their deposit immediately. As to the successful bidder, the deposit shall be non-refundable, and it will be credited to the purchase price. The successful bidder will be required to sign a Purchase and Sale Agreement at the conclusion of the auction, a copy of which shall be available in advance from Andrew M, Braceras, Esq., PO Box 17771, Portland, ME 04112, tel. 207-749-7836. The balance of the purchase price shall be due and payable in cash or certified check at closing, which shall occur within thirty (30) days of the date of the public sale. At said closing, the Mortgagee shall present the successful bidder with a Quitclaim Deed Without Covenant thereby releasing the property unto the successful bidder. The sale shall be subject to any and all tax or sewer liens of record, leases, tenancies, and parties in possession, easements, rights, restrictions, and encumbrances affecting the premises to the extent in force and applicable. The property will be sold AS IS WHERE IS. In the event the successful bidder fails to close under the Furchase and Sale Agreement, then, as liquidated damages, the deposit shall be retained by the Mortgagee, and the Mortgagee shall be entitled to purchase successful bidder's rights under the Purchase and Sale Agreement for One Dollar (\$1.00). Mortgagee reserves the right to make a junior bid at the completion of the auction proceedings. Mortgagee makes no representations or warranties with respect to the property or title thereto, and disclaims any obligation to do so. Mortgagee reserves the right to bid without making the required deposit and may pay for the property with a credit against the indebtedness owed to it by the Mortgagors. For further information, respecting the auction and legal and bidding information, contact Andrew M. Braceras, Esq., Millken & Braceras, PO Box 17771, Portland, ME 04112, tel (207) 749-

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Simoneau of Livermore Falls, was recognized and spoke later about the membership theme this year and her projects,

A donation was voted to the Bethel Rotary Christmas for Children campaign. As the Christmas trees just lit have gotten so much taller, it was decided to have the tops cut to keep them from continued growth. Also, a donation was voted to Butch Fuller for preservation of old Civil War flags. Several of the members are in nursing homes or otherwise more or less housebound and there was discussion what to do for them, especially with the holidays fast approaching.

The Post and Unit will have the annual Christmas Party on Thursday, Dec. 12, at the hall. It will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a dessert being served. This will be followed by an exchange of gifts and auction, that everyone had so much fun with last year. Men are to bring a gift for a man and ladies for a lady. Members' children are welcome to attend, and the parent or grandparent is asked to bring some little gift for the child.

Junior members will be having a New Year's Eve Party for the residents of the Western Maine Veterans' Home that afternoon from 2 to 4. They have done this before and the residents really enjoyed having these youngsters there.

There will be no other meetings of Post and Unit this month and only one in January, that scheduled for Jan, 2 with a storm date of Jan, 16. Only one meeting is scheduled for the months of February and March, that on the 6th, However, there will be the Oyster Stew Supper on Feb. 20 and the Legion Birthday Supper on March 20. In April, the schedule will go back to meetings on the first and third Thursday with a potluck supper at 6 p.m. on the first Thursday.

From the

Oxford County Fund

The Maine Community Foundation's Oxford County Fund requests proposals from organizations and groups seeking funding for community projects.

Grant awards typically range from \$500 to \$7,500. Recent grant recipients include the Mahoosuc Arts Council and the River Valley Healthy Communities Coalition. The Oxford County Fund is advised by a group of local residents that review applications twice a year. The next application deadline

For more information, contact fund coordinator Tanya Swain at 779-1938, or visit the Maine Community Foundation Web site at www.mainecf.org.

From the

is Jan. 15.

Oxford County Democrats

Oxford County Democratic Chairperson Cathy Newell has been named to the Inaugural Committee for Governor-elect John Baldacci, The Inaugural Committee is planning a series of events beginning with the formal Inaugural Ceremony on Jan. 8, a Gala, Blaine House receptions and other events through Jan. 11.

Senator Bruce Bryant has been named a member of the committee appointed to review disputed ballots in the District 16 Senate recount.

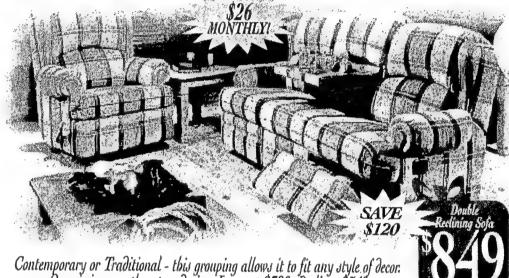
State Committee members from Oxford County, including India Haynes and Roger Green of Waterford, Rep. John Patrick of Rumford, and County Chairperson Cathy Newell will be attending the December State Committee meet-

ing on Sunday, Dec. 15 in Augusta. Congressman-elect Mike Michaud will be attending the Community Networking Breakfast sponsored by the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce on Wednesday, Dec. 18, at the Bethel Inn. Information regarding this event is available from the chamber office, 824-2282.

The Oxford County Democratic Committee will hold a Holiday Celebration and Volunteer Recognition on Thursday, Dec. 12 from 6 to 10 p.m. at the Eagles Hall at 13 Oxford Street in Rumford. The event will begin with a potluck supper, and will include a program of recognition followed by social

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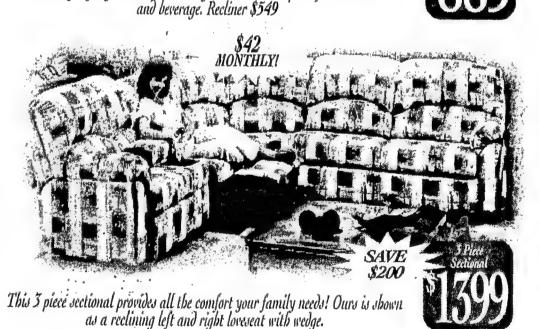


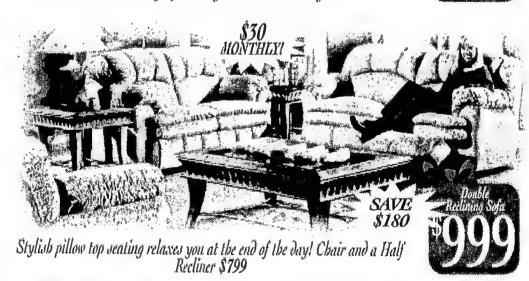
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SLIME CHAMPS Teague Merrill, 11, of Bethel, thought he was only going to be a member of the audience last month when he and his parents visited the "Slime Time Live" show at Universal Studios in Orlando, Fla. But when the woman selling show tickets asked him if he wanted to be a contestant on the Nickelodeon show, he didn't hesitate. Teague joined 15 other kids competing in a variety of events - most of which feature the contestants getting "slimed." The show is on the air live between cartoons that play on the Nickelodeon TV channel. The field of competitors narrowed as the afternoon progressed, and in the end, Teague and his partner, Sarah Vassallo of New Jersey, were the champs. The prize: a Razor Punk Bike and Scooter for each of them. Teague is shown here with his partner and the show's hostess after one of the events. Teague is the son of Chris and Diane Merrill.



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SAD44 Middle/High Lunch Program

Monday: Turkey sub, steamed broccoli, potato chips, choice of: chicken pattie, pepperoni pizza, beef ravioli, hamburger/bun, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Tuesday: Chicken quesadillas/bun, green beans, cheese slice, potato chips, choice of: teriyaki chicken, pepperoni pizza, beef ravioli, salad bar, fruit bar, milk,

Wednesday: Pizza stix, choice of: hot dog/bun, pepperoni pizza, beef ravioli, hamburger/bun, salad bar, fruit,

Thursday: Roast turkey/gravy, mashed potato, yellow wax beans, cranberry sauce, ww bread/butter, vanilla ice cream cup, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Friday: Hot dog/bun, sliced carrots, choice of: ham and cheese roll, pepperoni pizza, beef ravioli, hamburger/bun, pbj sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk,

SAD44 Elementary Lunch Program

Monday: Turkey sub, steamed broccoli, potato chips, choice of: beef ravioli, pbj sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar,

Tuesday: Chicken quesadillas, cheese slice, choice of: beef ravioli, peanut butter/jelly sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, and milk.

Wednesday: Pizza stix, kernel corn, choice of: beef ravioli, peanut butter/jelly sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar,

Thursday: Roast turkey, mashed potato, garden peas, ww bread/butter, vanilla ice cream cup, salad bar, fruit bar, Friday: Hot dog and bun, sliced carrots, choice of: beef ravioli, peanut butter/jelly sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, and milk.

Oxford Hills High School Lunch

Monday: Cheeseburger/bun, potato puffs, mixed vegetables, fruit, milk. Tuesday: Pizza sticks, whole kernel corn, salad bar, fruit, milk. Wednesday: Veggie delight w/cheese, pickles, potato chips, peanut cup, fruit, milk. Thursday: Homemade macaroni and cheese, peas, ham sticks, fruit, milk. Friday: Chicken nuggets w/BBQ sauce, mashed potato, salad bar, fruit, milk.

Oxford Hills Middle School Lunch

Monday: Chicken patty/bun or Rib-A-Que/bun, corn chips, milk. Tuesday: BLT/bun or vegetarian sub, potato chips, milk. Wednesday: French toast sticks w/syrup or ham and cheese sandwich/bun, ham patty, potato puffs, juice, milk.

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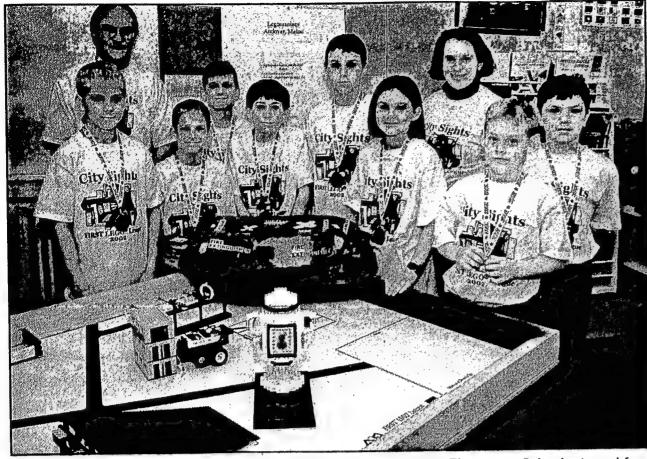
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LEGO TEAMWORK—A group of fourth- and fifth-graders from Andover Elementary School returned from the FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) LEGO League Science and Technology Competition this weekend with the TEAMWORK Award. FIRST LEGO league is part of a nationwide science competition with more than 26,000 students aged 9-14 using robotics technology to design a robot and take part in a competition. This year's challenge was called "City Sights," which explores the obstacles, restrictions and challenges that urban planners face everyday in order to provide basic services such as housing, clean water, safe environment, educational and medical assistance, sustainable energy, mass transportation and communications to the city. The tournament was held Sunday at the University of Maine, Orono. Thirty-six teams from across the state met to present their results. AES team members included fifth-graders Evan Fessenden, Gavin Lee, Michael MacKnight, Arete Maselli, and Carl Zurhorst; fourth-graders: Darren Jodrey, Morgan Lee and Elek Pew. They were coached by AES teacher Roger Sabin and parent coach Mary Zurhorst, The Mahoosuc Kids Association afterschool (Photo by Dirk MacKnight) program in Andover sponsored this year's team.

Hoops

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injury, after missing most of the preseason.

Two other seniors, Matt Hamel (guard) and Ian Andrews (center) return to basketball after a year away from the sport.

Rounding out the seniors are captain Wade Osgood (forward) and Jordi Walker (forward/guard).

Juniors include Alex Best (forward); Casey Fleet (guard); Sean Dumont (forward); and Kurt Wight (utilityman).

Sophomores include August Reiss (guard/forward); Terry Collins (forward) and Josh Longway (guard).

Freshman Sean Caddigan (guard) completes the roster.

Like the girls' squad, the boys fell to Winthrop by a sizeable margin in the season opener Saturday.

"We need to figure out roles, and the younger players need experience," said Durgin.

In addition, he said, "We're not as big as we were last year, so we'll have to battle harder for rebounds," he said.

If they can get those rebounds, the Rebels still have the speed to run up and down the court like the teams of the past two years have, Durgin said.

Telstar takes on strong Mountain Valley and Wiscasset teams this week. As with the girls' early schedule, "you find out where you stand right off," he said.

(The Rebels found out they stand up well against Mountain Valley, losing Tuesday night by only two points.)

Durgin said Telstar's recent ranking of 10th in a Mountain Valley Conference preseason rating has provided incentive for his players to prove they're better than that.

"I think we'll come on strong. We'd like to get back to Augusta again," he said.

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School Sports

High School Boys' Varsity Basketball

Mt. Valley 72, Telstar 70; Dec. 10-Telstar's Kinsey Durgin scored 33 points, Wade Osgood 10 and Casey Fleet and Sean Caddigan nine each in a loss to Mt. Valley. August Reiss had six and Jordi Walker 3. Durgin had six three-pointers and Walker, Fleet and Caddigan one each.

Winthrop 89, Telstar 52; Dec. 7-Telstar lost its season opener in a game played at Winthrop.

High School Boys' J.V. Basketball

Telstar 66, Winthrop 62; Dec. 7-Telstar's Sean Caddigan led the scoring with 23 points – including two free throws with 17 seconds left in the game – in a win over Winthrop. Caddigan scored 12 of his points in the fourth quarter. Other scorers: Stephen McDonnell (12); Terry Collins (9); Josh Longway (9); Christ Estes (5); Matt Mills (4); Kevin Zinchuk (2); and Casey Ryerson (2). "Everyone contributed with great effort at both ends of the court," said coach Alec Newell. "A great way to open our season, and an excellent team win."

High School Girls' Varsity Basketball

Mt. Valley 69, Telstar 32; Dec. 9-Telstar's Lauren Hart scored 12 points and Krystle Gould seven in a loss to Mt. Valley. Other scorers: Santana Wilson (4); Lindsay Hart (3); Chea Davis (2); Liz Rosenberg (2); Kelsey Dole (2).

Winthrop 52, Telstar 28; Dec. 6-Telstar's Lauren Hart and Krystle Gould each scored 10 points in a loss to Winthrop. Lindsay Hart had five points and Santana Wilson three. Gould had a three-pointer.

TMS Girls' Varsity Basketball

Madison 26, Telstar 18; Dec. 9-Telstar's Megan Smith, Bailey Davis and Josie Reiss each scored five points in a loss to Madison. Tara Lunney had two points and Vicki Rice one. "Outplayed in the first half by a score of 22 to 9, the defense came alive in the second half and held Madison to four points," said coach Brian Mills. "But they ran out of time to complete the comeback."

Jay 45, Telstar 32; Dec. 4-Telstar's Kara Thurlow and Joseline Belanger each scored eight points in a loss to Jay. Other scorers: Bailey Davis (6); Josie Reiss (4); Tara Lunney (3); Jacki Coffin (2); Caiti Shimamura (1). "The first game of the season saw an aggressive Jay team outplay us for most of the game," said coach Brian Mills. "More intensity as the season moves along, and we will be in every game."

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casual, friendly atmosphere, with pictures of extreme sports on the

walls, including local young peo-ple doing their thing on the slopes

as well as table service and television. A small "lunch counter" is also being planned for their carry out area as well. The name "Finish Line," with its obvious reference to racing, comes from both the extreme sport racing world, as well as from the concept of the customers' home being the "finish line" in Keith and Sarah's quick, free delivery service to the town. Finish Line food will often be found elsewhere around the community. Sandwiches at the Big Apple are a product of Finish Line. Local organizations and our Six years ago, Keith Blackard

and trails. Recently, they have

added a section that offers a bar,

schools often enjoy their pizzas. As for involvement in the community, their time is limited, but Keith has coached soccer for a Bethel area - focusing especially number of years, and also coaches upon pizza. Today Finish Line at Sunday River. And, together, they seek to reach out to the youth Pizza is that, and a whole lot more. After beginning across from of our community, giving them a positive place where they can feel relocating to the "bottom" of comfortable and safe. And so, from the building that

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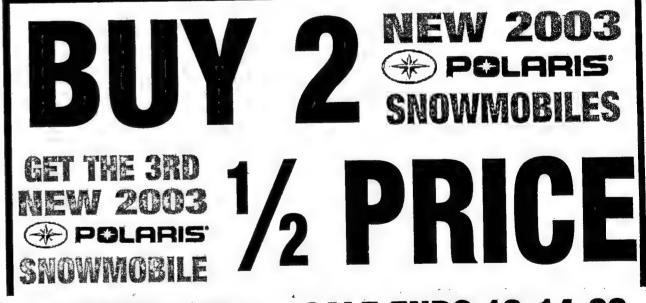
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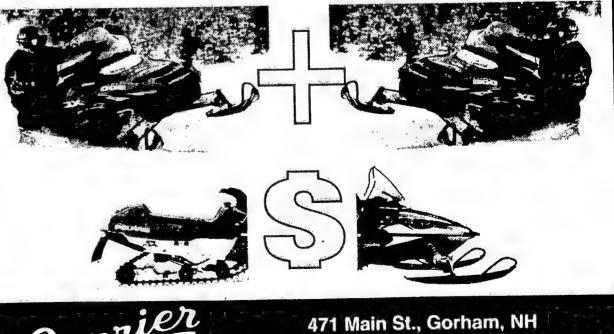
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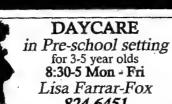


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The county committee will begin regular monthly business meetings, often including a speaker, in January. Anyone interested in receiving e-mail or written notification of meetings may contact Cathy Newell at 875-2116 or cathyn@megalink.net.

From the

Bethel Historical <u>Society's Regional</u> <u>History Center</u>

The annual "Christmas with the Masons" was held on Thursday, Dec. 5, at the Bethel Historical Society's Dr. Moses Mason House. As usual the house was decorated with bows, berries, and fruit as it might have been in the early 19th century. Grace MacKivergan served hot mull cider from the hearth of the winter kitchen while Judy Haskell and Lorrie Hoeh served as hostesses assisted by Randy Bennett and Danna Nickerson. Christmas music, candlelight, blazing fireplaces and delicious treats completed this unique holiday experience.

Following this portion of the evening, visitors assembled in the exhibit hall for the annual slide show featuring slides of old Christmas greeting cards and scenes from the region's past.

December is membership month at the Bethel Historical Society's Regional History Center. New members are always welcome at the society and gift memberships are also available. Membership in

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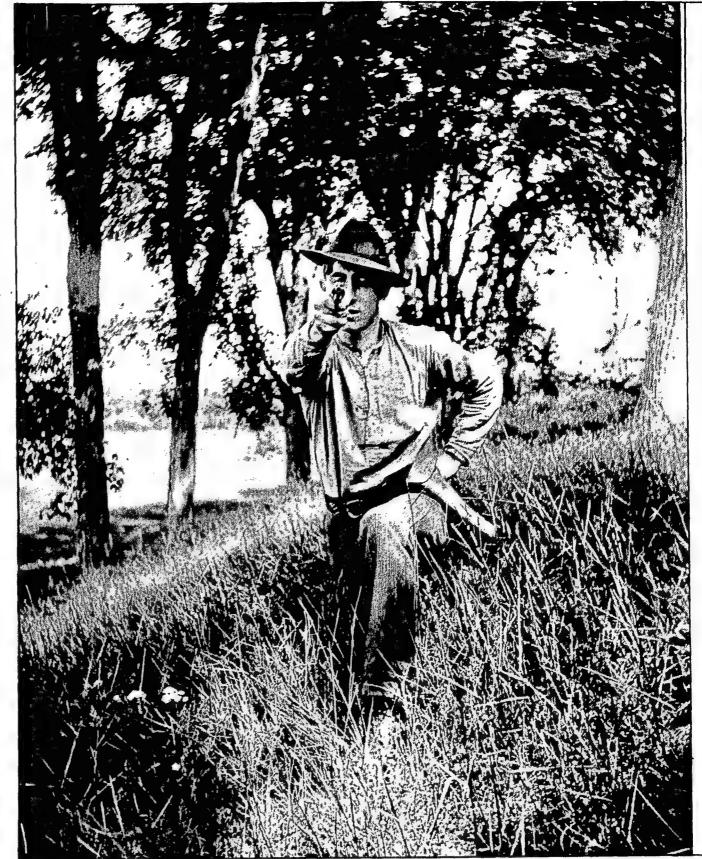
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More than a thousand members strong, the Bethel Historical Society, founded in 1966, is western Maine's largest and most comprehensive full-time historical agency, dedicated to collecting, preserving, and interpreting the regional past for present and future generations. For over thirty-five years, the society's activities have included lectures, exhibits, special events, heritage festivals, workshops, conferences, school and educational programs, and publications. Since 1974, the society has operated from its Broad Street headquarters, the Dr. Moses Mason House, a period house museum and research li-brary. In 1999, it opened the O'Neil Robinson House (next door) to the public for an expanded exhibit program, museum shop space, and administrative offices. Through the years, the society's achievements have been recognized by a number of state and national organizations,

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The Citizen welcomes submissions of news items and photographs from local clubs and organizations. All news articles should be typed or printed legibly, and include the name and daytime telephone number of contact person.

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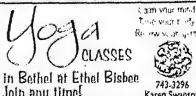
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(20)	NHL Hockey	: Ollawa Sena	ators at Bosto	n Bruins			Overtime	PGAcom	ESPNews .	
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(3)	Fortune	Jeopardyl	Movie: "Nort	ovie: "North Dallas Forty"			News	Sanders	Entertainme	nt Tonight
(32)	"The Christn	nas Path"	Orange	range Frosty's Life-Bonnie Less Th			Movie: "Spe	cial Delivery"		
6	Maine	Seinfeld	Figure Skatir	igure Skating: Skaters' Championship			GQ Awards		News	Sat. Night
0	Fortune	Jeopardyl	Movie: "Arm	fovie: "Armageddon"			•		News	Practice
0	Laura Darrel	l's Very Specia	al Christmas	Christmas Three Tenors Christmas				Russell	Red Green	Red Green
(22)	Sportscenter		Heisman Tro	phy	Movie: "The	Junction Boy	s"		Sportscenter	r
(34)	Robot Wars:	Extreme	American Gladiators Slamball				WWE Veloci	ty	WWE Confid	dential
Œ	Entertainme	nt Tonight	Frosty	Frosty District			Agency		News	Ándromeda
(41)	NBA Action	NBA Basketh	all: Boston C	all: Boston Celtics at New York Knicks				NFL Show		
(15)	Movie: "Driv	en" Canl'd	Movie: "Oce	an's Eleven"			Boxing: Byrd	vs. Hölylield		Sopranos
(17)	Proud	Lizzie	Movie: "The	Santa Clause	at .		Movie: "The	Movie: "The Santa Clause"		
(18)	"Cruel Inten	tions II"	Movie; "Spe	ed"			Movie: "From Hell"			
(20)	NHL Hockey	y: Boston Bruir	s at Montrea	Canadiens			Overtime ESPNews ESPNews			
(44)	Movie: "A D	angerous Alfa	irii		"A Murderou	s Allain: The	Carolyn Warn	ius Story"	For the Peop	ple
(5)	Movie: "Jac	k Frost"			Movie: "Mou	se Hunt"			Movie: "Jac	k Frost"
(24)	Jimmy	Oddparents	All That	Nick	Amanda	Skeeter	Cosby	Cosby	Cheers	Cheers
(25)	Movie: "Bul	litt" Cont'd	Movie: "Raid	iers of the Lo	st Ark"	57 - 25 to 12 T to 81			Movie: "Har	nburger Hill"
(26)	"Out of Sigh	ıt" Cont'd	Movie: "Mea	Movie: "Meet Joe Black"				22		
(27)	Mansions, I	Vonuments	Behind Clos	Behind Closed Doors Holiday at Pops				¥3	Nero Wolfe	
(12)	НарруОау	Наррурау	Fresh Pr.	NBA Basket	ball; Milwauk	ee Bucks at C	hicago Bulls	. Die	News	Universal
(39)	Capital Gar	1g	CNN Preser	nts	Larry King V	Veekend	CNN Saturo	lay Night	Capital Gán	ığ

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(3)	Hot Ticket	Sports Final	Movie: "Whit	e Christmas"				Sanders	70s Show	Love Lucy
(32)	"Special Delivery" Cont'd Jack Frost			Movie; "Mr.	St. Nick"	****		Without San	la	
0	Cmas Deco	ations	American Dr	éams	Movie: "Nat	ional Lämpooi	n's Christmas	Vacation"	News	Hot Ticket
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(22)	Sportsetr.	NFL Primetin	he	NFL Footbal	l: Árizona Ca	rdinals at St. I	ouis Rams			Sportsetr.
(34)	Star Trek: N	ext Gener.	Star Trek: No	ext Gener,	Oblivious	Oblivious	Real TV	Real TV	Ultimate	Ultimate
(B)	60 Minutes		Becker	Yes, Dear	Movie: "The	Man Who Sa	ved Christma	s"	News	Friends
(41)	College Bas	ketball: SMU a	at Wake Fore	Wake Forest Beyond		Glory	See This	See This	Beyond the	Glory
(15)	"Mad Love"	Cont'd	Sex & City	Sex & City	Movie: "Live	ovie: "Live From Baghdad"			Movie: "Swo	rdfish"
(17)	Proud	Lizzie	Movie: "Roc	këtMan"	Movie: "MV			: Most Valua	ble Primate"	
(18)	"Beverly Hill	s Cop"	Movie: "Dan	gerous Minds	Movie; "Mo			onster's Ball'		
(20)	Outdoors	Divers	Outdoors	Outdoors	Wild World	Wild World of Winter ESPNew		SPNews		4
(44)	"Heart of a 9	Stranger"	Division	1.7	Strong Med	icine	For the Peop	ole	Movie: "Blin	d Obsession
(5)	"Mouse Hur	it" Cont'd	Movie: "Siste	er Act"		de la companya de la	Movie: "Sist	er Act"	ari,	- Not a section
(24)	Scare	Ginger	Garcia	Clueless	Cosby	Cosby	Cheers	Cheers	Coach	Coach
(25)	"The French	Connection"	Movie: "The	French Conn	éction"		Movie: "Rais	ling Čain™	And the second of the second o	A second second
(26)	Movie: "U-5"	71" Cont'd	Movie: "Con	Áir''		FREEZINGS AND STREET	and the second of the second	Dead Zone	. 6 C. (170)	Law-Order
(27)	Biography of	the Year	Nero Wolfe	daniel americk werd to be a self and	City Confide	ntial	Third Watch	of the State and the American	Mutder, She	Wrole
(12)	Mutant X	1	Andromeda	No.	Adventure Inc. Ne			Replay	In the Heat o	of the Night
(39)	People in the	News	CNN Presen	lŝ	Larry King V	Veekend	CNN Sunday	/ Niaht	CNN Presen	ls

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(3)	'70s Show	'70s Show	Parkers	One	Girlfriends	Half	News	Frasier	Frasier	Ent. Tonigh
(32)	Christopher	'Twas Night	Santa Is Con	ning to Town	Movie: "The	Christmas Lis	st"		700 Club	
6	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Fear Factor		Fear Factor		Crossing Jor	dan	News	
8	Sports Rap L	íve	Monk		NFL Footbal	i: New Englan	nd Patriots at	Tennessee Ti	ans	
1	News-Lehrer		Capitol Conn	ection	Ken Burns A	merican Stori	es	Maine	Antiques Ro	adshow
(22)	Sportsctr.	Monday Nigh	t Countdown		Figure Skati	ng: Brian Boit	ano's Skating	Spectacular	Cheerleadin	g: College
(34)	Real TV	Real TV	Star Trek: Ne	Star Trek: Next Gener. WWE Raw					CSI: Crime Scn	
Œ	Friends	Ent. Tonight	King	Yes, Dear	Raymond	Still	CSI: Miami		News	
(41)	Sports	Last Word	Sports	Sports NBA Basketball: Boston Celtics			ago Bulls		Best Damn S	Sports Show
(15)	"Multiplicity"	Cont'd	Movie: "A.I.;	Movie: "A.I.; Artificial Intelligence"			,	Catch Me If	Movie: "O"	
(17)	Sister, Sis.	Lizzie	"The Ultimate	e Christmas F	resent"	Lizzie	Even	Sister, Sis.	Boy World	Boy World
(18)	Things to Do	in Denver	Movie: "From	n Hell"			Movie: "Boo	ty Call"	-	"Killer Sex"
(20)	Outdoors	Divers	Outdoors	Outdoors	ESPNews		ESPNews		ESPNews	
(44)	Intimate Port	rait	Unsolved My	steries	Movie: "Jud	gment Day; TI	he Ellie Nesle	r Story"	Golden	Golden
(5)	Friends	Seinfeld	Movie: "Slee	pless in Seat	le"			Movie; "Whe	en Harry Met	Sally".
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Cosby	Cosby	Cheers	Cheers	Coach	Coach
(25)	"Winterhawk	" Cont'd	Movie: "Drea	ımscape"	,		Movie: "Ene	my Mine"		
(26)	Movie: "Con	Air" Cont'd	Movie: "U-57	71"				Bon Jovi-N.	<i>(</i> .	Nash
(27)	Real Story		TVography		American Ju	stice	Investigative	Reports	Third Watch	
(12)	Home Imp.	Will-Grace	Movie: "Squr	Grapes"			News .		Justice	Heat
(39)	Crossfire		Connie Chur	ng Tonight	Larry King L	ive	Newsnight-A	aron Brown	Chung	Moneyline

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(3)	'70s Show	'70s Show	Buffy the Var	mpire Slayer	Twilight Zon	e ,	News	Frasier	Frasier	Ent, Tonight
(32)	Movie: "Seci	et of Giving"			Movie: "Mr.	St. Nick"			700 Club	
6	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Saturday Nig	ht Live Christ	mas	Frasier	Dateline		News	
8	Fortune	Jeopardy!	8 Rules	Jim	Life-Bonnie	Less Than	NYPD Blue		News	
1	News-Lehrer		Nova		Main Stream	1			Charlie Rose)
(22)	College Basi	etball: Jimmy	V Gonzaga	a vs. N.C. St.	College Bas	ketball: Jimmy	y V Classic	Cincinnati vs.	Oregon	Sportsctr.
(34)	Real TV	Real TV	Star Trek: No	ext Gener.	Movie: "Plat	oon"				Star Trek
Œ	Friends	Ent. Tonight	JAG		Guardian		Judging Amy	/	News	
(41)	See This	Last Word	Best Damn S	Sports Show F	Period	riod Best Damn Sports Show			Period	
(15)	"In the Gloar	ning" Cont'd	Movie: "Oce	an's Eleven"	Real Sport		Real Sports		"Freddy Got	Fingered"
(17)	Sister, Sis.	Lizzie	Movie: "The	Brainiacs.con	n" · Even		Even	Sister, Sis.	Boy World	Boy World
(18)	"Working Gir	l" Cont'd	Movie: "Des	perado"	Movie: "Meet Wally			t Wally Spark	s"	
(20)	Boston Red	Sox Hall of Fa	me Ceremon	у	ESPNews ESPNews				ESPNews	•
(44)	Intimate Port	rait	Unsolved My	/steries	Movie: "Son	nething About	Amelia"		Golden	Golden
(5)	Friends	Seinfeld	Movie; "Mon	ey Talks"			Movie: "Mor	ey Train"		
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Thornberrys	Sponge	Cosby	Cosby	Cheers	Cheers	Coach '	Coach
(25)	"The Good V	Vite" Cont'd	Movie: "Gros	s Creek"				Movie: "Valr	mont"	
(26)	JAG		Movie: "Six	Days, Seven I	Nights"		Movie: "Sìx	Movie: "Six Days, Seven I		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
(27)	Real Story	•	Biography		Cold Case F	ileş	Investigative	Reports	Third Watch .	
(12)	Home Imp.	Will-Grace	Movie: "Mes	senger of Dea	ath"		News		Justice	Heat
(39)	Crossfire		Connie Chu		Larry King L	ive	Newsnight-A	Aaron Brown	Chung	Moneyline

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(3)	'70s Show	'70s Show	Enterprise	Enterprise		ce 3	Twilight Zone)		
(32)	Jack Frost		Without San	la	Movie: "The	Christmas Pa	ith"		700 Club	
6	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Ed		West Wing		Law & Order		News	
8	Fortune	Jeopardy!	My Wife	Lopez	Barbara Wal	lers	MDs		News	
D	News-Lehre	r	National Geo	ographic	Muhammad:	Legacy of a f	Prophet		Charlie Rose)
(22)	College Bas	ketball: New I	Mexico at Texa	as Tech	NBA Baskett	oall: Indiana F	acers at Hous	ston Rockets		Sportsctr.
(34)	Real TV	Real TV	Star Trek: No		Movie: "Way	ne's World"			Star Trek: No	ext Gener.
Œ	Friends	Ent. Tonight	60 Minutes I		Amazing Rad	mazing Race 3				
(41)	NBA Basket	ball: Miami He	eat at Boston	Celtics		Best Damn S	Sports Show F	Period		*
(15)	"Sweet Nov	ember"	Movie: "Live	From Baghda	ad"		Love It or Le	ave It	Movie: "The	Patriot"
(17)	Sister, Sis.	Lizzie		All Dogs Chris		Proud	Even	Sister, Sis.	Boy World	Boy World
(18)	Under Siege	2	1	rlie's Angels"	Movie: "From Heli"					
(20)	NHL Hockey	: Boston Brui	ns at Buffalo S	Sabres		Overtime ESPNews		ESPNews	s ESPNews	
(44)	Intimate Por		Unsolved My		Movie: "Hea	rt of a Strange	er'i	af		Golden
(5)	Friends	Seinfeld	Ripley's Beli	eve It or Not!	Worst-Case	Scenario	Ripley's Beli	eve It or Not!	Worst-Case	Scenario
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Rugrats		Brady	Brady	Cheers	Cheers	All in Family	3's Co.
(25)	Bruce Lee:		Movie: "Cha	in Reaction"			Movie: "Ford	e 10 From Na	avarone"	5.
(26)	JAG		Movie: "Bray	/eheart"				Seed. (Cod.)		
(27)	Real Story		Biography		Américan Ju	stice	City Confidential		Third Watch	
(12)	Home Imp.	Will-Grace		stmaster 2: Ti	rough the Po	rtal of Time"	News		Justice	Heat
(39)	Crossfire	A CONTRACTOR OF THE CONTRACTOR	Connie Chu		Larry King Live		Newsnight-Aaron Brown		Chung	Moneyline

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Thursday Dec. 12	Friday Dec. 13	Saturday Dec. 14	Sunday Dec. 15	Monday Dec. 16	Tuesday Dec. 17	Wednesday Dec. 18
8 a.m. Franklin Grange Hee Haw Show 10 a.m. Mahoosuc Music Makers 12/94 12 noon Rotary Senior Luncheon 2000 2 p.m. Phillip House 1998 4 & 9 p.m. Bryant Pond Hour/Church 7 p.m. Bethel Citizen Reading	8 a.m. & 4 p.m. Bethel Citizen Reading 10 a.m. So You Want to Get High 12 Noon Merry Christmas 2 p.m. Fran's Escape 7 p.m. Aerobatic Tournament 9 p.m. Rotary Senior Luncheon	8 ā.m. & 2 p.m. Aerobatic Tournament 10 ā.m. Bryant Pond Hour/Church 12 Noon Bethel Citizen Reading 4 & 9 p.m. Merry Christmas 7 p.m. Fran's Escape	Fran's Escape 10 a.m. & 4 p.m. Bryant Pond Hour/Church 12 Noon So You Want to Get High 2 p.m. Merry Christmas 7 p.m. Aerobatic	8 a.m. & 4 p.m. Bethel Citizen Reading 10 a.m. Rotary Senior Luncheon 12 Noon Aerobatic Tournament 2 p.m. Fran's Escape 7 p.m. Bryant Pond Hour/Church 9 p.m. Merry Christmas	8 á.m. Aerobátic Tournament 10 á.m. So You Want to Get High 12 nöon & 4 p.m. Merry Christmas 2 & 7 p.m. Rotary Senior Luncheon 9 p.m. Fran's Escape	8 a.m. & 7 p.m Fräh's Escape 10 a.m. & 4p.m Rotary Senior Luncheon 12 Noon So You Want to Get High 2 p.m. Merry Christmas 9 p.m. Aerobatic Tournament

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2 TV Guide Channel	15 HBO	28 QVC	40 TNT
3 WSBK-TV 38, Boston	16 Encore	29 History	41 FOX Sports Channe
4 Channel IV, Bethel	17 The Disney Channel	30 Inspirational Network	42 TLC "
5 Pay Per View	18 Čínemáx	31 Sci-Fi	43 Weather
6 WCSH, NBC Portland	19 FLIX	32 FOX FAM	44 Lifetime
7 Sunday River Ski TV	20 NESN	33 CNN Headline News	45 Home & Garden
8 WMTW, ABC Auburn	21 STARZ	34 TNN	46 E!
9 WPXT, FOX Portland	22 ESPN	35 Video Hits (VH-1)	47 MSNBC
10 WCBB, PBS Lewiston	23 CNBC	36 Country Music	48 ESPN 2
11 Animal Planet	24 Nickelödeon	37 Discovery Channel	49 TBS
12 WGN, Chicago	25 AMC	38 MTV Television	50 FOX News
13 WGME, CBS Portland	26 USA Network	39 CNN	51 C-Span

Church

Services

Bethel

Bethel Alliance Church— Rev. Rick Mowery, 10:00 a.m., worship. Sunday School at 9:00 a.m. Evening fellow-

ship and youth ministries 6:00pm, Sundays. Prayer fellow-

a.m. Sunday school (2 hours, including recreation activi-

ties; call 824-4028 for transportation). 10:30 a.m. morning

worship, 6 p.m. evening service, 824-4028 (voice mail) or

10:30 a.m. worship. Nursery care provided. Prayer, Tues., 8

Dec. 21 - March 29. Pastor Father Maurice Lebel 743-2606.

a.m. Sunday worship. Rainbow Church School, 3-5 p.m.

West Bethel Union— 9 a.m. worship and Sunday school. For info. call 836-2844 or 836-2882, Rev. Earl H.

a.m. Sunday school, 10 a.m. worship, 836-2828.

a.m. Sunday, Bible study at 11 a.m. 824-3577.

Contact: George Weber, 892-0779

school. 11 a.m. worship service.

Pleasant Valley Bible-Pastor Clifford McMullen, 9

Episcopal House Church— Holy communion service

Church of Christ-at home of Keith Hamel, minister,

Worldwide Church of God-10:30 a.m. first, second

the third Sunday of every month at 4:00pm at 38 Chapman

Street. For further info, call the Reverend Gweneth Bohr at

507 Walker's Mill Road (Rt. 26), Bethel. Worship at 10

third (and fifth) Saturday each month. Services held in the

dining hall of the West Parish Congregational Church.

Woodstock

Sunday School 9:15am; Adult Bible Fellowship 9;15am;

Morning Worship 10:30am; Choir Practice 4:45pm;

Evening Preaching Service 6:00pm. Wednesdays: Patch the

Pirate Club 6:30pm; Prayer Meeting and Bible Study

Wright (207-797-9678), Saturday: 9:20 a.m. Sabbath

Hymn Sing, last Friday of each month, 7 p.m. All welcome.

Woodstock Seventh-day Adventist-Pastor Richard

Pinhook Meeting House (Rt. 232, North Woodstock)—

Bryant Pond Baptist-Rev. Peter Laitres, Sundays:

a.m. For more information call 824-8860.

West Parish Congregational- Rev. Daniel Johnson.

Our Lady of the Snows- Mass-Saturday, 5:00 p.m.

United Methodist- Mrs. Betsey S. Webber, Pastor, 9

Church of the Nazarene-Pastor Chuck Mason, 9:30

ship 7:00 p.m. Wednesdays.

824-7289 for more info.

Thursdays (all ages welcome).

Events Calendar

Public Computer Access — Hours at the SAD44 Adult Learning Center, Philbrook Street, Bethel are: Tuesday, 9 a.m. to noon; Wednesday, 4:30 to 8:30 p.m.; and Thursday, 9 a.m. to noon for academic instruction and GED preparation, as well as use of

Seniors Lunch every Tuesday and Thursday, 11:30 a,m., at Bethel Methodist Church, Main Street, sponsored by SeniorsPlus, Donation for 60 and older and spouses, \$2.50; all other guests, \$4. Reservations important, For information, menus, reservations, call 824-3168 (also the number to call to apply for Meals

9 a.m. (Thursdays) - Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge at Town and Country Mobile Home Park community center, Norway, All bridge players invited to attend and bring a friend or two, Refreshments, For more information, call Mimi Bell (743-8081) or Rowena Palmer (743-2882) or e-mail bridge@mega-

Nov. 5-Dec. 20 - Ongoing Craft and Bake Sale at Woodstock Elementary School. Bread, cookies, brownies, some pies, crafts, etc. Quilt raffled on Dec. 17; tickets \$1 available at library, craft fair and Woodstock Town Office.

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. — Christmas Trees for Sale at P.H. Chadbourne lot on Route 26, south of Bethel available Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 14-15 and 21-22. Trees cost \$15 to \$25 each. Proceeds will benefit Project Graduation activities at Telstar. FMI, call 824-2136. and \$9.50 for non-members.

Dec. 11-14

10 a.m. to 5 p.m. — Trees and Trains at McLaughlin Foundation barn in South Paris. Variety of dwarf and full-size conifers, models of Grand Trunk, Bridgton/Saco and Maine Central Line stations. Hot coffee, tea, cocoa and cookies available at ticket office. \$4 donation, \$2 for kids under 12. Dress seasonally. Pre-registration required. Call Lee Dassler at 743-8820 to register or for more infor-

Thursday, Dec. 12

6 to 10 p.m. - Oxford County Democratic Committee holiday celebration and volunteer recognition and appreciation event at the Eagles Club in Rumford. Old-fashioned potluck supper, bring a hot dish, salad, dessert or bread to share plus a canned or packaged item for a food pantry. Public invited. FMI, call Cathy Newell at 875-2116.

December 12, 13, 14, 15, 19, 20, 21, 22

7:30 p.m. (Dec. 12-19) and 2 and 7:30 p.m. (Dec. 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22) — Magic of Christmas concert by Portland Symphony Orchestra at Merrill Auditorium, 20 Myrtle Street, Portland, with Toshiyuki Shimada, music director. Tickets: \$47, \$40, \$32, \$24, \$15 may be purchased at PortTix (842-0800), or online at www.portlandsymphony.com. Discounted tickets for students and sen- get one. In case of storm or bad driving

Saturday, Dec. 14

Performance by Spring Street Dance High School will meet at the Telstar at Norway Unitarian Universalist Church, Theater at Helen Berry Auditorium, library. Guest speaker: Principal Shawn Telstar Regional High School. Donations Lambert and student class officers, All accepted for Telstar's music and theater welcome. Holiday refreshments. Please department. FMI, 824-6522.

Support

Services

Abused Women's Advocacy Project

court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 369-0750; Norway office 743-5806; 24-hour hotline 1-800-559-2927.

. Alcohol/Drug Treatment

Gateway Recovery Services—Outpatient counseling services available at Bethel Family Health Center, Mondays and Wednesdays. For info.

Diabetes Support Group

month. The meeting is held from 6:30-7:30pm in the Harper Conference

Center in the Ripley Medical Building. All are welcome to attend. For

Exchanges

in-season clothing in clean, wearable condition only. Drop-off hours

and shopping: Monday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Thursday 3 to 5 p.m. and

Center announces that individuals or families requiring assistance with

food needs in the South Woodstock, Bryant Pond, West Paris and Sumner

areas are invited to call 674-2566, 674-2663, or 665-2226 to learn more

Mental Illness Support Group

social club for adults suffering with mental, emotional or physical illness,

provides support, relaxation and socialization. Monday, 1 to 5 p.m.;

Tuesday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Thursday, 3 p.m. to

& p.m.; Friday, 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oxford County

Mental Health Services, support for adults and children with mental illness

same location, second floor, open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. For

more information, call 364-3549 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays or (800)

REACH

assault/sexual abuse hotline, same number. Support groups and awareness

Veterans' Services (State/VA Benefits)

9 to 12 noon (743-6300); Rumford Employ Sec. Bldg. (364-3718), second

and fourth Thursday, 9 to 12 noon; Lewiston (795-4590), 200 Main St.,

7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday thru Friday, location: Monday-Sunday School

Library Hours

Andover Library: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, 1-4:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6 to 8 p.m. Tel. 392-4841,
Bethel Library: Monday, 9 a.m. -1 p.m.; Tuesday, 1-5 p.m.;

Wednesday, 1-8 p.m.; Thursday 1-5 p.m.; Friday 1-5 p.m.; Saturday,

9-1 p.m. Story Hour Mondays, 10-11 a.m. October to May. Michelle

Cresent Park Elementary School: Open every Thursday evening

from 6p.m. to 8p.m. to the Public. Hamlin Memorial Library, Paris Hill: Tuesday-Friday, 11:30-5:30

Saturday, 10-2; Wednesday evening, 7-9 p.m. Tel. 743-2980. Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond; Tel. 665-2505. Library

hours: Tuesday & Thursday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Wednesday and Friday

West Paris Library, West Paris: Monday 1:30-5 p.m.; Wednesday, 1:30-7 p.m.; Friday, 1:30-5 p.m. 674-2004.

Gardner Roberts Memorial Library, Hanover: Wednesday, 10-12

Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris, first and third Wednesday each month,

Rape Education and Crisis Hotline 1-800-871-7741. Sexual

Beacon House Social Club, 150 Congress Street, Rumford, a drop-in

more information, please contact Betty Sirois at 743-5933.

The Diabetes Support Group meets on the third Wednesday of each

District Exchange Community Thrift Shop accepts donations of

The Woodstock Seventh Day Adventist Church Community Service

call 207-743-7580.

Saturday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

335-9999 off hours. 928-3222.

Conroy, Librarian, 824-2520,

hrough July and August. Story

Upton Library: Saturdays 9a.m. - 11a.m

12 p.m. and 4 p.m.

education, past or present victims of abuse.

2:45-4:15 p.m. Tel. 392-4841. (new members welcome)

AWAP serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter,

6 p.m. - Potluck Supper and Tree Decorating Party for family and friends of West Bethel Union Church,

1 to 4 p.m. - Northern Forest Heritage Park's Cultural Christmas Celebration at 961 Main Street, Berlin, N.H. Enter the Meat Pie Contest, Prizes. Santa will arrive at 2 p.m. Singing, fiddling, story telling, raffles at the Cook House. Children will make bird feeders, ornaments and decorate gingerbread men. Much, much more. FMI, call (603) 752-

8 to 11:30 p.m. - Old Time Dance at Locke Mills Town Hall with music by Richard Felt Orchestra. Proceeds benefit Greenwood Historical Society.

1 to 4 p.m. — Book Signing by Susan Clement Farrar of her new book, "Emily and her Cavalier," at Books 'N Things, Bethel. Come in and say hello.

7 p.m. (doors open) — The Commons Music collective will present A Benefit Concert for Christmas for Kids at Norway Unitarian Universalist Church, 479 Main Street. Featured entertainers: Bill Shimamura with special guest Peggy Beyer, Mary Uke Hargraves, Heather Pierson with Bob Rosenbaum, Nathan Towne, Pamela Larratt, Tickets: \$5 for adults and \$3 for under 12 (\$7 and \$3 at door) available at Fare Share Co-op and The Little Jungle in Norway. FMI, call 782-4496 or 388-2669.

7 to 10 p.m. - Swingin' Bears annual Christmas for Kids Teddy Bear Dance at Oxford Hills Middle School cafeteria, Pine Street, South Paris. Squares and rounds. Class/plus level dance. Bring unwrapped gift for a needy child. Everyone welcome.

Sunday, Dec. 15

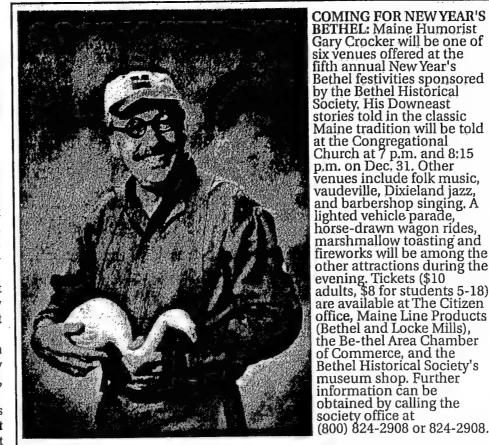
Sunday River Ski Resort's Community Day. Free or discounted prices for skiing, riding, rental equipment, clinics and food. To participate, children's names must be on a district list provided by superintendent's office. FMI, call 824-

2 to 4 p.m. — Santa's coming to Newry Grange. Cookie decorating, arts and crafts and food. Bring your Christmas lists and a carrot for Santa's reindeer, All

5 p.m. — Christmas Party at West Paris Unitarian Universalist Church for the church and community, all ages. Potluck supper. See Santa and Mrs. Claus.

2 p.m. — Finnish American Heritage Society meeting at the Heritage Center, Maple Street, West Paris. Exchange of gifts labeled lady or gent. Bring one and meeting will be canceled.

Monday, Dec. 16



bring non-perishable item for the Holiday Food Drive.

Tuesday, Dec. 17

11:30 a.m. — Christian Women United meeting at Country Way Restaurant, South Paris. Speakers: Lois Strauss and Priscilla Delehanty. Those not contacted may call Pearl Anderson at 743-

7 p.m. — Telstar Musical Department annual Winter Concert featuring Middle School Chorus and Band and High School Chorus and Concert Band in Helen Berry Auditorium at Telstar Regional High School. Free, but donations greatly appreciated. Refreshments.

6:30 p.m. - Mollyockett Chapter of Trout-Unlimited Holiday Dinner at Trolley House Restaurant, Main Street, Norway. Raffle of fly rod and Battenkill reel (\$2 each ticket). Slide show and short

Friday, Dec. 20

7:30 p.m. — Yulefest, a student concert at Gould Academy's Bingham Hall,

Saturday, Dec. 21

4 p.m. - Sing and Shout for Joy Christmas Cantata at Locke Mills Union Church. Choir from area churches. Refreshments following.

Sunday, Dec. 22

5 p.m. — Living Nativity at Bethel Common. Preparation begins at 3:30 p.m. at Bethel Inn Conference Center. Call 824-2289 for more information. Hymn sing after at the Nazarene Church. Public

Friday, Dec. 27

6:30 p.m. (sign-up), 7 p.m. (Open Mic) - Norway Coffeehouse/Open Mic host-6:30 p.m. — Christmas Holiday 6:30 to 8 p.m. — Friends of Telstar ed by Heather Pierson and Diane Vincent 379 Main Street, Suggested donation: \$3. Proceeds to benefit The Life Center at J.F. Murphy Homes, FMI, call Heather Pierson at 782-4496.

Tuesday, Dec. 31

6 p.m. - Fifth annual New Year's Bethel Celebration. Vehicle parade up Main Street, venues (Gary Crocker, humorist, Jim Gallant, guitarist and vocalist; trio of musicians, jugglers and actors; Molly Ockett Chorus; Old Grey Goose; and a jazz band), marshmallow roast, etc. Tickets (\$10) may be purchased at The Bethel Citizen, Bethel Historical Society Museum Shop, Maine Line Products in Bethel and Locke Mills, and Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce.

Annual New Year's Eve Party and Fireworks display at Sunday River Ski Resort. Live music, dinner specials and activities for all ages. FMI, go to www.sundayriver.com

Ring in the New Year at Bethel Inn and Country Club. Dinner specials, fireworks over golf course. FMI, call 824-

New Year's Eve Snowmobile Ride and Dine at the Great Grizzly. For reservations, call 824-7533 or (877) 851-7533.

Wednesday, Jan. 1

Sunday River Ski Resort's Community Day. Free or discounted prices for skiing, riding, rental equipment, clinics and food. To participate, children's names must be on a district list provided by superintendent's office. FMI, call 824-

Friday, Jan. 24

Ski Day to Eliminate Polio at Sunday River Ski Resort to benefit International Polio Eradication Campaign of Rotary International. Tickets: \$40 each through Bethel Rotary Club. FMI, call 824-4500.

Saturday, Feb. 8 10th annual Winter Walk Against

Violence sponsored by Abused Women's Advocacy Project. Inside Auburn Mall. FMI, call Cindy at 795-6744 ext. 16.

Mahoosuc Mountains Friends- a worship group meet-

6:30pm.

ng in the unprogrammed tradition of Friends (Quakers) -Sundays, 9:30 a.m. at the Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond, Newcomers welcome, First Day School activities provided for children. Call Arla Patch 665-2224 for more info.

Andover

First Congregational Church—Pastor Jane Rich. Sunday morning worship 10am followed by coffee fellowship.Sunday School on Tuesdays from 3-4:15pm for children in grades K-5. Thursday, choir parctice at 6:30. All are

Calvary Bible Church-Pastor John O'Keefe. Winter hours: Sunday School 9:30am, Sunday AM worship 10:45am, Wednesday bible study and prayer meeting 6:45pm, Thursday Men's Discipleship 7:00pm, Contact church for schedule of Ladies Discipleship and bible study groups. Route 5, S. Andover. 392-1121.

Gorham, N.H.

Assembly of God-Pastor Paul Levigen. Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday service 10:30 a.m., Sunday evening service 7 p.m., Wednesday Bible study 7 p.m.

Locke Mills Locke Mills Union-Rev. Micheal Johnson. Worship

will be held at 10:00am. East Stoneham

Oxford County United Parish-Rev. George Frobig, 10

a.m. worship and Sunday School; Sunday morning worship will be held at the North Waterford Church beginning November 3 and continuing through the winter months.

Newry Community Church—Sunday worship service, 9 a.m. Rodney H. Hanscom, pastor. (Services in the church will resume in April)

Albany Congregational Church—Hunt's Corner, 9:30 a.m. Sunday worship and Sunday School; Pastor Eddie

Gammon. Bible Study 6:30 Thursdays at the church. Norway/Paris

Christian Science Society (5 Aldrich Ave.) - Sunday

Service 10 a.m., Wed. Testimony Service 7:30 p.m. Call 824-4099 for info or ride. Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church-Route 117N, S.

Paris, Pastor Tom Teichmann. Sunday Morning Service 9 a.m. with coffee fellowship immediately after. North Paris Federation-Morse Hill Road, North Paris.

Sunday Service: 8 a.m. Pastor Bruce Tyner. 674-2968 Oxford Hills Friends (Quakers)—Sunday worship 9:30 a.m., Children's program, 9:40 a.m. at HOPE Ripley Center, High Street, S. Paris. Call 583-2780 for more infor-

Christ Episcopal Church—35 Paris St. Sunday services at 8 and 10 am; Wednesdays at 9:30 am. Rev. Anne Stanley. Call 743-6782 for more information.

Rumford

St. Barnabus Episcopal Church—Mass. 9:30 a.m. Rev. Canon Henry Male, Jr. Special holidays will be announced. Stone church at the rotary. Rumford Center

Praise Assembly of God- Pastor James Michaels. Sunday School 9:00am, Sunday worship service at 10:00am. Sunday prayer meeting at 6:00pm. Wednesday night bible study at 7:00pm. East Andover Rd. For more

information, call 364-3856. Rumford Point Rumford Point Church— Sunday service, Sunday

School, 8:30 a.m. Pastor Michael F. Johnson.

West Paris

Unitarian Universalist Church of West Paris-UU Rev. Joy Gasta, 9 a.m. worship (Sept.-mid-June). 674-2365. West Paris Baptist—Sunday Worship 9 a.m., Bruce

Tyner, PastorAdult Education and Sunday School 10:15 a.m., Sunday evening worship with Bible reading 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday evening prayer meeting and Bible study, 7 p.m. (First Sunday of each month, Singspiration alternating between North Paris Federated and West Paris Baptist).

West Paris Congregational Church— Linda Kimball, pastor, Sunday Worship 11 a.m.; Sunday School 10 a.m.

Harrison Bolster's Mills United Methodist Church—Bolster's

Mills Road, Harrison, Maine Rev. Walter R. Brown, Pastor. Sunday worship at 8:45 am. Church school 10:15a.m. for kids Kindergarten - Grade 12. Call 583-9024 or (207) 998-7040 for more information.

Sumner

East Sumner Congregational- Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday service, 9 a.m.

Monthly Meetings

First Sunday: Bethel Snow Twisters Club meets at Clayton Crockett's at 7 p.m. September through April. Greenstock Snow Sports Snowmobile Club meets at the Greenwood

Town Office at 9 a.m. Windy Valleys Snowmobile Club meeting at Newry Town Office. Second Sunday: Western Maine Mountain Trail Mixers ATV Club meets at 6:30pm at Sun Valley Sports, 129 Sunday River Road, Bethel. New members welcome.

Every Sunday: Western Mountains Meditation Group, Center for Natural Healing, 47 Pioneer Street, West Paris, 9:30 a.m. 674-3961. Bethel Freedom Group AA meeting, 6 to 7 p.m. ST/BB at Bethel Fire First and Third Monday: Bethel Board of Selectmen meets at the Town

Office, 7 p.m. Newry Fire Department monthly meetings: first Monday, 7 p.m., at Sunday River Station; third Monday,

7 p.m., Bear River Station. Franklin Grange #124, 7:00p.m., call 674-3046 or 674-3962 for more

First Monday: Greenwood Planning Board meets at Town Office, 7 p.m. Second Monday: Newry Mother's Club meets, 7:30 p.m. Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, J. Grover Tent #17, Ellis River Riders meet at Andover Fire Station, 7 p.m. Third and Fourth Monday: Greenwood Comprehensive Planning

Committee meets at town office. 7p.m.
Second and Fourth Monday: SAD44 Board of Directors meets in Bethel, Woodstock of Andover at 7:30 p.m. Call 824-2185 for place.
Glicad Fire Department meets at the Fire Station at 7 p.m.

Every Monday: Mahoosuc Music Makers rehearsal, 7-9 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church (downstairs). First Tuesday: Upton selectmen meet at 7 p.m. at Town Office. Western Maine Knitters Guild meets at Christ Church, Norway, 10 a.m.

First and Third Tuesday: The Greater Rumford Alliance for the Mentally III-Children and Adolescent Network (GRAMI-CAN) Support,

education and advocacy. Meets in the former St. John's rectory from 6:30-8 p.m. in Rumford. Contact Diane at 369-0542. Bethel Area Promise Keepers, 7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church. FACTS (Family/Friends And Consumers Together for Support) 6:30-8

p.m. at Ethel Bisbee Adult Learning Center. Contact Rhonda at 824-3076. Greenwood selectmen meet at Town Office, 5 p.m. Woodstock Planning Board meets at 7 p.m. at Town Office.

Woodstock Selectmen meet at 5 p.m. at Town Office. Second Tuesday: Mundt-Allen Post, American Legion, meeting at 7:30 p.m. Supper starts at 6:30 p.m. Telstar Alumni Association meets in the guidance conference room. Ladies' Bible Fellowship, 7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

Second and Fourth Tuesday: The Bethel Lions Club meets at the Rebel Family Restaurant, West Bethel at 6:30pm. Third Tuesday: Pine Tree Legal Assistance at Bethel Area Health Center, starting at 10 a.m.

Every Tuesday: Bethel Rotary Club meets at The Bethel Inn. 7:30 a.m. Andover Board of Selectmen meets at the Town office, 7 p.m. Newry Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office, 9 a.m. CrossCountry Quilters will meet at the Robinson House or Bethel

Library from 9 to 11am except the last Tuesday of each month the meeting will be from 7 to 9pm. Cub Scout Pack 566 meeting, 6 p.m., at Crescent Park School Mollyockett Chorus practice, 6:30-9 p.m. at Church of Jesus Christ of

Latter Day Saints, Skeetfield Rd., Oxford (Call 824-2468 for info). First Wednesday: Greenwood Historical Society meets at the Society Building, Main St., Locke Mills, 7 p.m. Bethel Area Arachnes Spinning Group, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church. Polluck luncheon.

The Ash-Risely Detachment of the Marine Corps League meets at 6:30pm at the VFW Post #2520, Berlin, NH. All current marines and former Marines are welcome to attend. For more information, please call (603) 237-9395 or (603) 752-3042.

collector also holds hours. Friends of the West Paris Library, 6:30 p.m. (new members welcome)

First and Third Wednesday: Newry Planning Board, Town Office, 7 Second and Fourth Wednesday: Bethel Planning Board meets at the Fourth Wednesday: Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, H.F.

Richardson Tent #19, East Stoneham, K of P Hall, 7 p.m. For more info. call 928-2611. Women's Fellowship, West Parish Congregational Church, Garland Chapel, Bethel, 9:30 a.m. Jesserson Chapter, 89, OES, Bryant Pond, 6:30 p.m.; refreshments,

7:30 meeting. (Except July and Aug.)

Last Wednesday of Sept., Nov., Jan., March and May: Crescent Park School PTA, 6:30-8 p.m. Babysitting provided. Every Wednesday: TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), 5:45-7 p.m.,

Bethel Alliance Church. The Harmony Singers, a new Bethel community chorus, rehearses from 7:00 to 8:30 pm Wednesday evenings at 196 Intervale Road. This group welcomes singers of all ages and abilities. Join us on Wednesday or send inquiries to jilln@ctel.net or call

First Thursday: United Methodist Women meet at the Bethel Methodist Church at I p.m. Bethel Recreation Board meeting, 7 p.m. at Town Office.

Second Thursday: Board of Directors of Bethel Area Chamber of Bethel at Newry Fire Auxiliary meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m. Bethel Lodge #97, AF & AM.

A book discussion group at Whitman Memorial Library at 10:00am

Oxford County Deomerats. Contact: Cathy Newell at \$75-2116. First and Third Thursday: Jackson-Silver Post, Locke Mills, 7 p.m. West Paris Grange #298, 7:30pm. Call 674-3962 or 674-3046 Fourth Thursday: Bethel Area Poets Society Reading, 7 to 9 p.m. Call 824-3427 for more info. Every Thursday: Andover Water District Board of Directors meets at

7 p.m.
West Paris Board of Selectmen meet at the Town Office, 6:30 p.m.
Rethel Allian Middle and High School Youth Groups, 6:30 p.m., Bethel Alliance

First Friday: The Oxford County Mineral and Gem Association meets at 7 p.m. at the Newry home of Norman and Eleanor Davis, 824-2844. MS self-help group at the West Parish Congregational Church next to Gould Academy. Call Gale Tout at 836-2900 for more information.

Third Friday: Mt. Abram Lodge, 100F, 7:30 p.m.
State Line Snowmobile Club Monthly meetings held at John Thriault's house on East B Hill Road, Upton. Every Friday: Game Party at Jackson-Silver Post No. 68, Gore Road,

Locke Mills, 6 p.m. First Saturday: Western Maine Mountain Jeepers meet at 7 p.m. at Bethel Fire Station. St. Andrews Society meeting, 10 a.m., Harvest House, Lisbon (busi-

ness meeting with lunch). Second Saturday: Woodstock Historical Society meets at 7 p.m. in historical society museum. Open to public,
Last Saturday: Upton Planning Board meets at 9 a.m. at the Town

Seasonal only: Every Saturday: Bethel Farmers' Market, Bethel Area Health Center parking lot, 9 a.m. - 12 noon. Locally grown produce and

Items for the Community Calendar may be brought to The Bethel Citizen office, mailed in or phoned in at 824-2444. The deadline is Monday noon.

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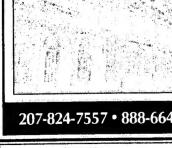
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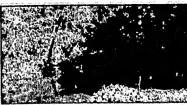
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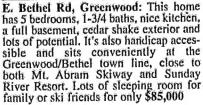
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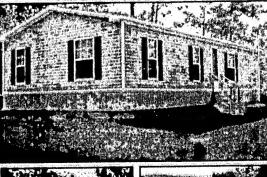
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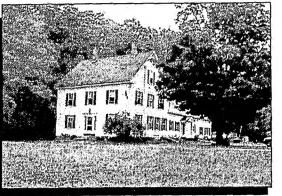
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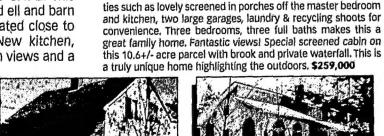
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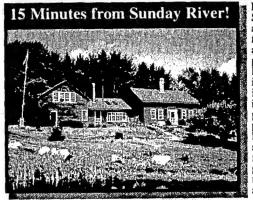
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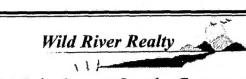
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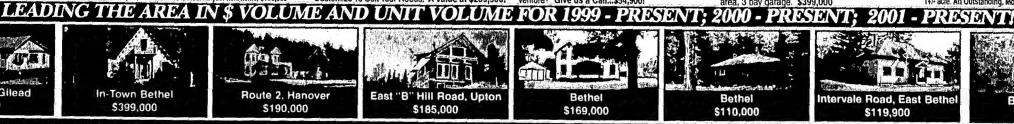
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new home on Friday, Nov. 29. She

joins a sister, Kaitlyn, age 12, and a

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nard and Mary Gatchell of Bryant

Pond. Paternal great-grandmother

is Beulah Staples of South Paris.

and Norma Salway of Albany.

brother, Daniel, age 6.

Obituaries

THELMA B. KNIGHT

Thelma B. Knight, 93, of 85B Keltner Road, Columbia, Ky., died on Friday, Dec. 6, 2002, at Westlake Regional Hospital in Colum-

She was the daughter of Edward E, and Minnie Olson Bennett of Bethel. She was born on April 25, 1909, in Errol, N.H., and was a member of St. Mark Methodist Church in Campbellsville, Ky, She graduated from Gould Academy in 1926, Lasella University in Accounting in 1928, and the Forsythe School for Dental Hygienists in Boston, Mass., in 1932.

She was married to Ralph L. Knight, who preceded her in death in 1982. She resided in Montpelier, Vt., until 1993, at which time she relocated to Kentucky. She retired from the Department of Motor Vehicles-State of Vermont in 1968 after 23 years of service.

Survivors include one son, Richard and his wife Mary of Columbia, Ky.; three grandsons and their spouses, David and Kelly Knight of Evans, Ga., Daniel and Kathy Knight of Lexington, Ky., and Mark and Terri Knight of Mentor, Ohio; and six grandchildren, Kara,

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Memorial services were held at Stotts-Phelps-McQueary Funeral Home in Columbia, Ky., on Dec. 8 with the Rev. Richard Lowe offici-

WILLIAM E. THORNTON JR.

William E. Thornton Jr., 55, husband of Ruth Witter Thornton, died unexpectedly Monday, Dec. 9, 2002, in the emergency room of the Rumford Community Hospital.

Born in Rumford, July 26, 1947, the son of William E, Sr. and Margaret L. Stevens Thornton, he was a resident of this community all of his life and was a graduate of Stephens High School in the Class of 1966.

Mr. Thornton was self-employed and owned a gravel pit and worked in the construction trades.

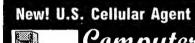
He enjoyed the outdoors, hunting and fishing and also going to see heavy construction equipment in

Mr. Thornton was a member of the Blazing Star Lodge 30 AF &

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Margaret and her fiancé

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special niece, Felicia predeceased

Funeral services will be held Thursday at 8 p.m. from the S.G. Thibault Funeral Home, 250 Penobscot Street, Rumford. Spring burial will be in the Abbotts Mills Cemetery at Rumford Corner, Friends may call at the funeral home Thursday from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Should friends desire, donations may be made to the Santa's Helper and/or the Free Store, c/o Dorothy Sanchas, 33 Roxbury Road, Mexico, ME

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Births

Crystal Seames and Shawn Coffin of West Paris are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby girl, Emalee Rae Coffin, born on Nov. 26, 2002 at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 7 pounds, 3 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Peter and Cynthia Seames of Oxford and Darrel Nash of Russellville, Ky.

Paternal grandparents are Dennis and Diane Allen of West Paris.

Glori and Greg Murphy of South Portland are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby girl, Maegan Skye, born on Nov. 24, 2002 at Mercy Hospital.

Maternal grandparents are Ernest and Nadja Bolio of Bryant Pond. Paternal grandparents are Carl and Estelle Murphy of South Port-

Bernie and Kassi Gatchell of Portland are pleased to announce the adoption of their daughter. Kiaya Lillian. Kiaya, along with her new father, arrived from China at the Portland Jetport on Thanksgiving Eve, Nov. 27, 2002. She celebrated her first birthday at her

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John S. Brown II and Melissa Dubord of Livermore Falls are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby girl, Taylor Jean Brown, born on Dec. 7, 2002 at Stephens Memo-

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and Elaine Dubord of Livermore Paternal grandparents are John

rial Hospital, weighing 8 pounds,

and Helen Brown of Buckfield. Taylor joins her sisters, Megan, age 30 months, and Georgia, age 6, and her brother, Jacob, age 4.

Rosalie Leonard and Glenn Robertson (Francis) of Bethel are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby girl, Juliann Marie Francis, born on Dec. 8, 2002 at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 5 pounds, 13 ounces.

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